

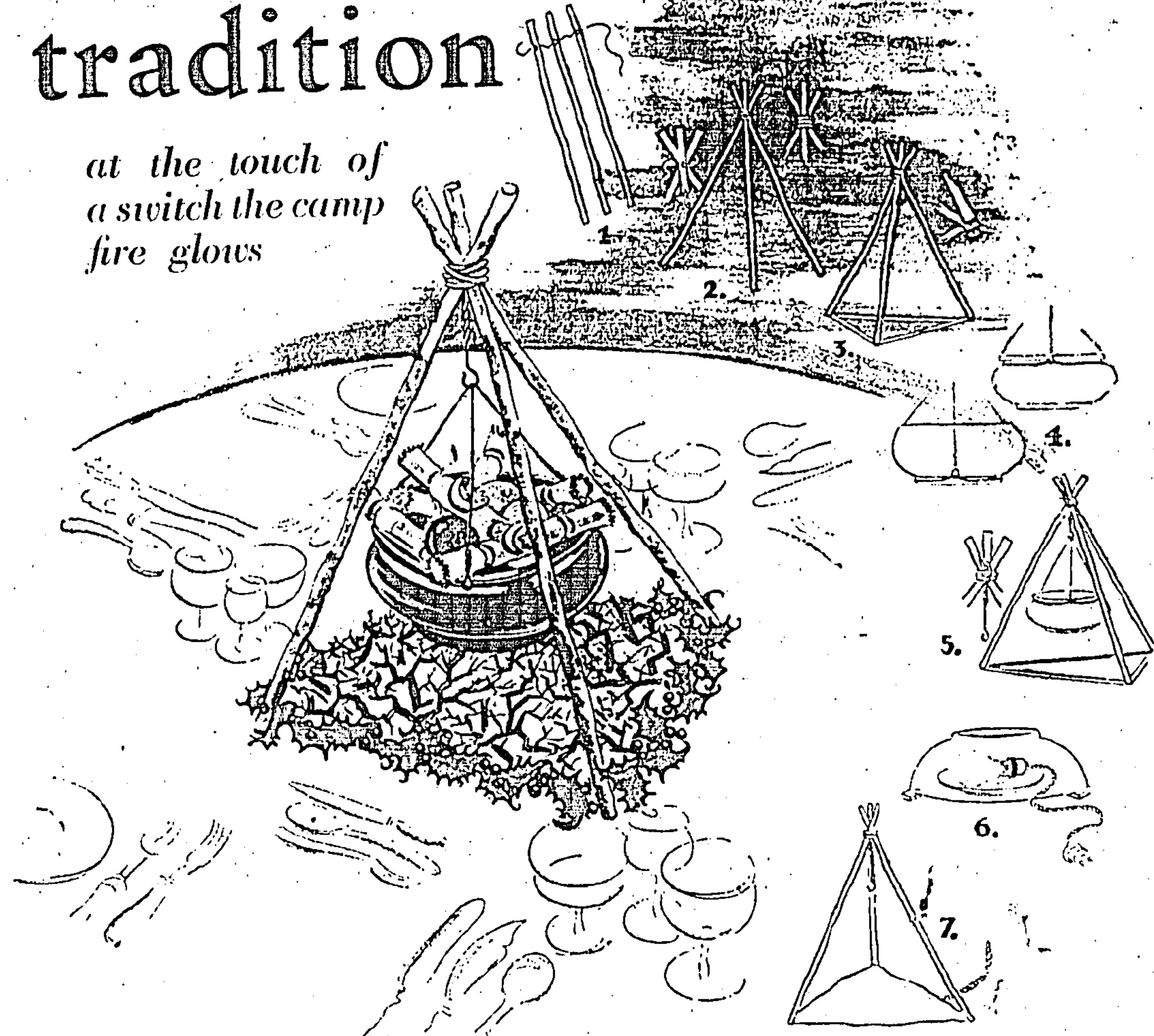
Gibraltar, Dec. 20.

A big battle on the southern Spanish front is foreboding. Intense insurgent activity between Cadiz, Tarifa, San Roque and Malaga, and observed by British visitors to Spain during the weekend.

It is understood this is the sequel to confidential information received by the Insurgents at Malaga that the Government authorities had already concentrated some 30,000 milligrams with tanks and artillery, apparently preparing a counter-attack against the big offensive from Malaga which has threatened the Government-controlled Malaga-Gibraltar-Spanish coast.

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The length given for the sticks for the tripod is only a suggested one; any length that suits your particular table will do, as long as all three sticks are the same length. The same applies to the length of the pieces of tape. You can arrange this to suit the space you have on your table for the base of the tripod (but again the length of each piece of tape must be the same).

Arrange the holly leaves as you like. It's a good idea to twine them up the legs of the tripod. You can put one or two small figures—Father Christmas, fairies and elves—round the fire as well. Fill the bowl with fruit and crackers, or small presents for your guests, wrapped up in brightly coloured paper.



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HOME PAGE COOK on Cake Icing

SOME one is very shortly going to ask me what makes the icing smooth on cakes. Some one always does at this time of the year. The answer is—practice.

So, if the Christmas cake represents your sole effort at icing during the year, don't be disappointed if you fail to achieve the uncanny smoothness of the confectioner.

Any fibres at the inequalities of your effort can be stifled by pretending that you were attempting a snowscape, and that ridges in it are artistic snowdrifts.

But first comes the almond paste. Mix together 1lb. ground almonds, 1lb. fine sugar, and the juice of half a lemon, and make them into a stiff paste with an egg. Add more white of egg if necessary.

Sprinkle your board with cornflour to prevent sticking and roll out the paste to the thickness you desire. Then cover the cake evenly with it. Put the cake aside until the next day.

For the icing you will need 1lb. icing sugar, the juice of a lemon, and the whites of two eggs.

Pass the sugar through a hair sieve, and work it with the egg-whites and lemon juice to a cream with a wooden spoon. Beat it for a quarter of an hour.

Spread it as smoothly as possible over the cake with a flexible knife.

The subsequent decorations can serve two purposes. They can either be used as simple ornaments, or be cunningly placed to conceal any flaws on the surface.

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HOME PAGE COOK on Some other little drinks . . .

WE are not going to be highbrow about wines.

Christmas is no time to be highbrow about anything. Crackers and Mouton Rothschild hardly go together.

The first thing to be rid of is that curious idea that a wine must be expensive to be good.

If you only wish to spend a few shillings upon wines, tell any good wine merchant so, and he will always help you to spend them wisely.

No need for so Many

THE days when a different wine was served with each course of the meal are gone, why they should return.

All that one asks for any good dinner is a glass of sherry with the soup, a claret, burgundy, champagne or still white wine with the main body of the meal, port or madeira with the dessert, and a good brandy to follow with the coffee.

To reduce that number, one can dispense with both the sherry and the brandy, and, if even the port is to be omitted also, then let a good burgundy come on with the roast and do duty for the rest of the meal, including the dessert.

Where facilities for keeping wines are not good, the best thing to do is to let the wine merchant keep them for you until a few days before they are needed. But not until a few hours before they are to be uncorked. A rousing journey at the last moment will unsettle any wine.

Look out for Crust

If you have bought any port, burgundy or claret which has "crust" in the bottle, the wine merchant will be pleased to decant them into fresh bottles.

And it is a very good idea to let him do it. You will thus be spared any anxiety about the wine becoming muddy through mishandling. Until a few hours before they are wanted for table the wines should

be kept in a cool place, but not, of course, in the refrigerator. A temperature of 55 deg. will suit them very well.

A few hours before the meal the wines should be stood in a pleasantly warmed room in order that they may take on this temperature. That, and no more.

A wine which has almost been allowed to boil in front of the fire or which has been plunged into a bucket of water which would unbalance a lobster, might just as well be allowed to boil away altogether.

Not too Cold

WHITE wines should be served cold, but not, if you please, ice-cold.

Since it is almost impossible to serve wines without a corkscrew this is obviously a most important weapon.

See that it is not one of those corkscrews which merely screw into the cork and then pull out again, leaving the cork in status quo. A corkscrew with flat, grooved spirals is a most effective kind.

Be careful not to screw it too far in, so that it dislodges fragments of cork into the wine.

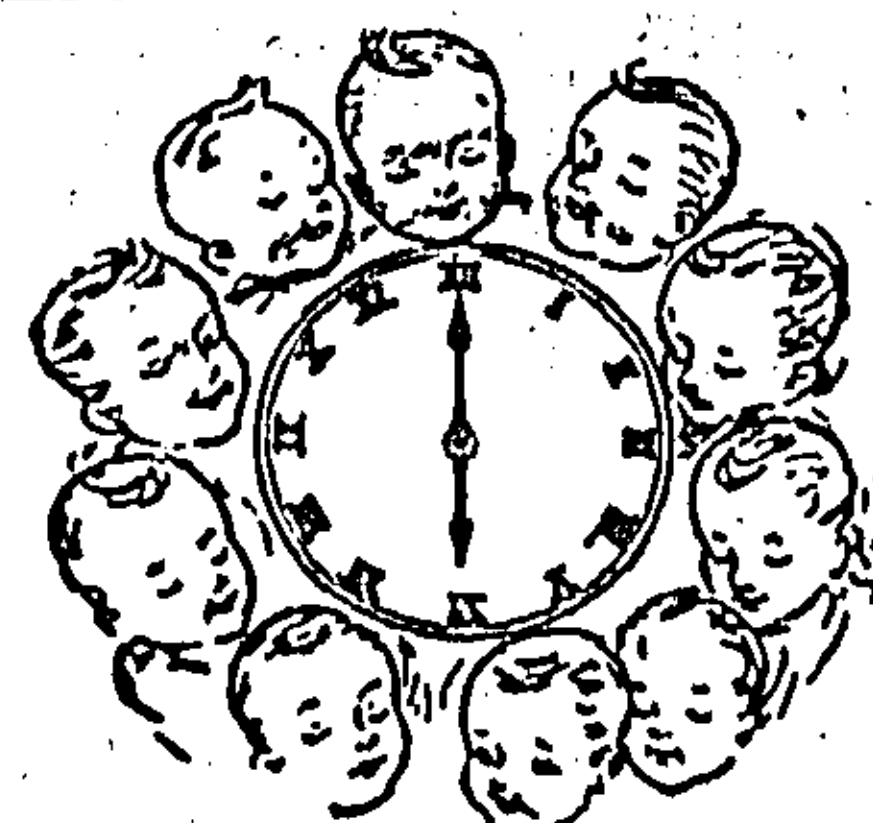
When removing the cork from a champagne bottle, don't catch hold of the cork and try to screw it out of the bottle. Always turn the bottle round the cork.

He will advise you AS I have already mentioned, you cannot do better than trust a good wine merchant. Tell him whether you like your wine white, red, light, full, dry, medium or what-not. He will indicate the sorts most likely to suit you.

Beware of all wines with non-descript labels from dubious sources.

If it is vintage wines which you are seeking, go for the '28's in champagne, the '19's, '23's and '20's in burgundy, and the '08's, '12's and '20's in port.

Finally, since a reader has asked me in which direction the port should be passed round, I can only reply, "From left to right, and as often as possible."

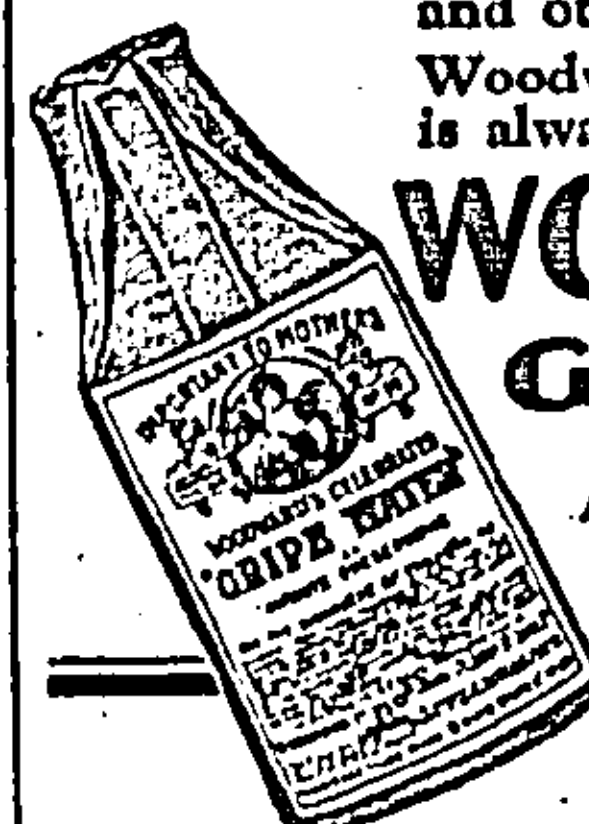


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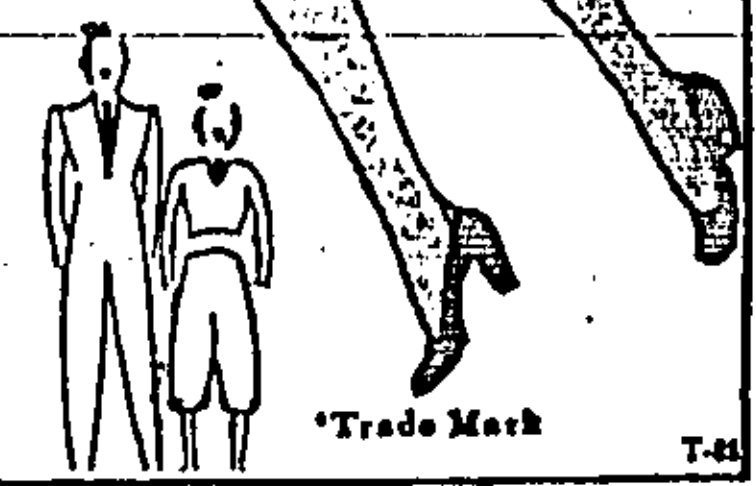
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Court May Soon Decide Selassie's Status

ROYAL REFUGEE OR ETHIOPIA'S EMPEROR?

By A Special Correspondent

Is Haile Selassie still Emperor of Abyssinia? Or is he just a royal refugee from the country that Italy has conquered?

Is he a wealthy man or is he penniless, with no prospects of raising money from anywhere?

These questions of international significance may be decided by the High Court as a result of a writ issued on Friday.

The writ has been taken out by Mr. Leo Y. Chertok, 36-years-old square-jawed American Jew, who took a prominent part in a plan to leave a large part of Abyssinia to a group of international financiers about two years ago.

HE IS SUING FOR £23,000

Mr. Chertok abandoned his plan in October last year, and on a visit to London he was quoted as saying that he would relinquish all claims to the mineral and other rights in the 15,000 square miles of Ethiopian territory he bought for £1,000,000 in 1935.

It was stated that he was giving up the concession because it was likely to cause international complications.

His estimate of the cost of doing so was £500,000, which he said he would have got from "banker's commission."

Now he alleges that Haile Selassie owes him £23,000 for cash advanced and commission.

Mr. Chertok's solicitor, Mr. J. M. Isaacs, whose offices are in Shell-Mex House, Victoria Embankment, London, will serve the writ tomorrow.

DEFENCE, OR—

And when it is served, Haile Selassie can do one of two things:

Refuse to defend the action, which means that Mr. Chertok will get judgment by default or enter an appearance through his solicitor and defend the action in the High Court.

English law says that no court in this country has jurisdiction over a sovereign.

If Haile Selassie decides to make this a preliminary issue, it will be left to the court to decide whether Mr. Chertok can continue with his claim, or, in other words, the court will have to decide if Haile Selassie is still Emperor of Abyssinia.

Taxi Drivers Strike In New York

New York, Dec. 21. Taxi drivers belonging to the Committee for Industrial Organization and numbering 4,300 went on strike to-day. New York City is served by 12,000 taxis with a corps of drivers numbering 18,400.—Havas.

Went On Route March—For A Bet

Because his regiment was always "sneered at" by the infantry, and told they could not stand up to heavy marching, Gunner Patrick Bushnell, aged 19, decided that he'd "show 'em."

He wagered an infantry man 10s that he would march from Oxford, where he was stationed, to the Marble Arch, distance of about 60 miles.

He set out carrying an Army pack heavily weighted with lead blocks—and after tramping for nine hours collapsed on the road.

He had covered rather less than half the 60 miles—but he wasn't down-hearted.

"Although I have lost the bet, to walk all the way to London," he told the Sunday Chronicle, "I think I have shown that artillerymen can stand up to marching."

HE IS SATISFIED

"We are not a marching regiment. We wear breeches and spurs, which are not as easy as infantry uniform to march in, and I bet one of the infantry I would walk to Marble Arch with a pack, and set out from headquarters one Friday night at 7.30."

"It was about four o'clock the next morning when I had to be assisted near the High Wycombe police station."

Before I set out I had done a day's work. I have never done any marching before and I am not an athlete. However, I did quite well and I am satisfied."

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PATIENTS SAVED FROM HIGHER FEES

SURGEON CLEARED BY COURT

WHEN Mr. Justice Tucker in the King's Bench Division recently exonerated Harley-street specialist Horace Powell Winsbury-White from any negligence in an operation performed four years ago, he saved all patients of surgeons from the risk of higher fees.

Mr. Winsbury-White had been sued for damages by Mr. Arthur William Morris, sixty-one-year-old commercial traveller, of Arundel-gardens, Goodmayes, Essex. Mr. Morris's case was that a drainage tube was left in his body for four months after the operation and as a result his health had been ruined.

The operation was performed in St. Paul's Hospital, Endell-street, W.C., of which Mr. Winsbury-White is hon. surgeon, and where Mr. Morris was a private patient. In cross-examination, Mr. Winsbury-White

had said that he did not hold himself responsible for things done to his patient in his absence.

Mr. Justice Tucker, giving judgment with costs for Mr. Winsbury-White yesterday, said: "There is not the slightest foundation for any suggestion that Mr. Winsbury-White in any way failed in his duty to Mr. Morris."

AFTER-CARE PROBLEM

Back in his Harley-street home Mr. Winsbury-White told me: "The whole of the medical profession was watching this case. The physician, like the surgeon, must leave a certain amount of the after-care of the patient to the staff of the hospital—people in whom, as a rule, he has the greatest confidence."

"If the case had gone against me it would have meant that a surgeon would have limited the number of his patients in private beds of hospitals."

"That would most likely have meant an increase in the charges for operations to compensate the surgeon for the extra work involved in looking after the patient and the risk of an action for negligence."

Mr. Winsbury-White expressed his sympathy for Mr. Morris—"the victim of this most unfortunate misadventure."

Mr. Morris left the court on the arm of his devoted wife. He said the costs of the case would amount to £1,500.

He added: "Where the money is to come from I don't know. I shall not be able to go for a holiday though I feel the need of one. I shall have to return to my work immediately, and hope for the best."

Kill Kidney Trouble Quick

Thousands of sufferers from kidney trouble and bladder weakness have stopped getting up nights, leg pains, dizziness, under eyes, swollen ankles, varicose veins, stiffness, rheumatism, diabetes, lameness, burning itching, smarting, acidity and loss of vigour by a doctor's new discovery called Cystex (Bischoff's). Gently soothes, tones, cleans, and builds, new and healthy. It is minutes Cystex starts purifying your blood, brings new healthy youth and vitality in 48 hours. Guaranteed to end your troubles in 8 days or money back. Get Cystex at all chemists.

Fish Answer Phone

PROFESSOR PROVES THAT THEY CAN HEAR

Fish answer to the telephone.

This is proved by Professor Y. Frolov, distinguished Russian follower of the great Pavlov, in his book, "Fish who Answer the Telephone," published by Kegan Paul (price 6s.).

Professor Frolov solved the mystery of whether or not fish can hear with the aid of Pavlov's famous "conditioned reflex" principle.

The basis of his experiments was an ordinary telephone receiver submerged in a tank.

"In order to register the movements of the fish we had to suspend the fish in the aquarium by a thread drawn through its mouth and one of the gills and tied lightly about the body . . . Its movements were not hampered."

EVERY TWIST RECORDED

"The thread was in turn connected with something which worked much as a fisherman's float. Every twist and turn and dart of the fish would be shown by the movements of this float, which in turn connected with a registering apparatus similar to that employed for automatic writing."

"We decided that we must have proof that the fish distinguished between our various sound signals, that it answered them with certain movements which could leave no doubt as to the fact that it indeed answered them and was not being influenced by any other considerations."

"We set ourselves the difficult task of making fish answer the telephone." Fish are sensitive to electric shocks; they shudder as at a blow; and the professor's next object was to record the behaviour of his specimens under this stimulus.

EXCITED FISH

"Every time we passed the current the fish became violent . . . As soon as we shut off the current the fish became calm again and the pointer returned to the normal position."

"We had still to investigate the effect of sounds from the submerged telephone. We were greatly excited when we came to perform the experiment . . . Proof seemed to be within our grasp."

"We knew that in general the fish remained calm if there was nothing to disturb it, especially when there was no noise of any kind. And in our tests we realized that the fish reacted to sound only at the first noise. When a sound was repeated the fish got used to it and paid no attention."

"A noise must mean either something good or something bad, food or danger."

NO REPLY

"We rang down on the telephone and then gave the current. At first, the telephone call was low toned and the fish did not answer. But it was affected by the shock."

"After we had repeated the experiment about 40 times we observed that the fish moved several seconds before the current was applied."

It had come to know what the sound in the telephone meant, that it heralded the unpleasantness of the electric shock. That meant that the fish had heard the call from the submerged telephone.

"That was a real triumph," says Professor Frolov. "The fact that fish are sensitive to the delicate waves of sound was established by us."

DYING OFFICER IN MINESWEEPER Thought To Be Seasick

How a young naval officer, who was taken ill and died on board his ship, was thought by companions to be suffering from seasickness was told at an inquest at Portsmouth on Lieut. George Edward Williamson, 24.

Lieut. Williamson was found dead in the new motor minesweeper No. 1 during his passage from Greenwich to Portsmouth. It was stated that a post mortem examination revealed carbon monoxide poisoning.

The minesweeper was being delivered by J. I. Thornycroft and Co. to the Admiralty.

Mr. John Ward, Thornycroft director of Thornycroft's, who was on board the vessel, said Williamson went down into the wardroom and lay on a settee. Later he collapsed. There was no possibility of fumes from the engine room passing into the wardroom, unless they passed out of the ship and in again.

Hugh Clarence Bell, chief engineer at the Hampton Launch Works, said he was in the engine-room and felt no ill effects. Everything was in order in the engine room on that day.

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LEADERS
RETURNChan Chai-tong To
Aid In DefenceCanton, Dec. 28.
Generals Chen Ming-shu and Chan Chai-tong, former civil and military chiefs of Canton respectively, who are staying quietly in Hangyuan, South Hunan, will proceed by overland route to Kwangsi and then to Canton to assist in the military defence here.

In General Chan Chai-tong's retinue are Messrs. Lin Yi-chung, Ou Fang-pu and General Li Yang-ching, all of whom held high important posts in Canton until 1936. General Chan Chai-tong and Li Yang-ching had planned an effective defence of this province.

Every effort is made here to suppress alarming rumours, which are deliberately created to scare the nervous public. The frequent report of Japanese invasion of Kwangtung is believed to be a scheme to prevent southern troops from going north to resist Japanese invasions. Over 60,000 Kwangtung and Kwangsi troops went to Kiangsu and Chekiang to resist the Japanese, and the constant menace here is intended to hold up further reinforcements to the North. —Special.

NEW YORK STOCK
EXCHANGESWAN, CULBERTSON &
FRITZ LATEST REPORTSNew York, Dec. 29.
S. C. & F. Dow Jones summary of yesterday's markets:

The market to-day shook off the effect of yesterday's adverse news, the recovery being partially attributed to covering by shorts. Some year-end buying was noted, while tax-selling was reduced. The market was also encouraged by a brokers' statement to the effect that it was the Government's duty to safeguard the "profit motive". The bearish reiteration by Assistant Attorney-General Jackson of trust manipulation charges had little effect to-day. Coppers and chemicals were upward on the belief that the Government was planning additional armament expenditure. Stocks related to ship-building were also encouraged.

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Hongkong, 29th December, 1937.

NOTICE.

The Eastern Extension Australasia and China Telegraph Company, Limited.

Notice is hereby given that the name of the above Company will from the 1st January, 1938, be changed to
CABLE & WIRELESS, LIMITED, with which is associated the Eastern Extension Australasia & China Telegraph Co., Ltd., (Incorporated in England).

An agreement has been signed between His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, K.C.M.G., and Cable & Wireless, Ltd., for the transfer to the latter company of the fixed station commercial radio communications of the Colony as from January 1st, 1938.

The present Radio Traffic Office will remain in the P. & O. Building, Des Voeux Road, until the end of January, after which the Office will be transferred to the Offices of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Co., Ltd., (hereinafter to be known as Cable & Wireless, Ltd.).

Mobile Station Services (Ships at Sea and Aviation), Broadbanding and certain other services will remain under Government control.

Curb stocks were irregular, but moderately active.

Bonds were irregularly lower, with business fairly active. United States Government bonds were also lower.

Wall Street Journal morning comment: The "Journal" says that General Motors are likely to continue profitable operations in spite of decreased production.

Brokers said that the business picture has become worse in the last two weeks.

Brokers are of the opinion that when the public resumes buying, they are likely to favour armament shares, particularly airplane issues.

The Street is pessimistic with regard to the forthcoming message to Congress by the President. Dow Jones Averages Dec. 28 Close
30 Industrials 118.93 120.15
20 Ralls 28.91 29.15
20 Utilities 19.97 19.88
40 Bonds 92.94 92.60
11 Commodity Index 53.32 52.93**THE NEW FRENCH REMEDY.**
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R. M. HENDERSON,
Water Authority,
Public Works Department,
Hongkong, 24th December, 1937.

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS
of the Sale by Public Auction

to be held on Monday, the 3rd day of January, 1938, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at King's Road, near Quarry Bay, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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Lot 5069	King's Road, near Quarry Bay	As per sale plan.	About 7,500 sq. feet	1.73	\$11,250
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U. S. COMMODITY
PRICESLATEST CABLED
QUOTATIONSNew York, Dec. 29.
The following quotations on the New York commodity exchange are issued by Reuters:

New York Cotton	Opening	Closing
January	8.11/11	8.12 N
March	8.20/22	8.19/21
May	8.25/24	8.25/26
July	8.31/31	8.33/34
October	8.33/34	8.36/38
December	8.37/37	8.41/42
Spot		8.29

The First Notice Day for January Cotton is Dec. 27 and the Delivery Date Jan. 3.

New York Rubber	Opening	Closing
December	14.65/68	14.60/60
March	14.79/77	14.69/73
July	14.90/93	14.78b/80a
September	15.00/00	14.88 N

Sales for the day—4,820 tons.
The last Notice Day for December Rubber is Dec. 29.

Chicago Wheat	Opening	Closing
December	013/013	003/003
May	053/053	053/053
July	053/053	053/053
Monday's Sales	—	20,048,000 bushels.

Chicago Corn	Opening	Closing
December	013/013	013/013
May	063/063	063/063
July	063/063	063/063

The last Notice Day for December Grains is Dec. 30.

Winnipeg Wheat	Opening	Closing
December	110/110	109/109
May	110/110	117/117
July	110/110	110/110

The last Notice Day for December Winnipeg Wheat is Dec. 31.

GRENADE
PLOTS
ADMITTEDDare-To-Die Corps
Revealed
Man Confesses
To Bold PlanShanghai, Dec. 29.
The man responsible for throwing the hand grenade from the Chekiang Road bridge at a Japanese army launch in Soochow Creek yesterday is an ex-soldier, Li Hai-min, 33.

It is alleged he confessed to being a member of a dare-to-die corps of 24 soldiers who disguised themselves as coolies and went to Shanghai through the Japanese lines from the war zone for the express purpose of causing loss to life and property among the Japanese troops, banks and large business and industrial concerns. The corps has its headquarters in a cheap hotel in an obscure street of the French Concession and had access to a cache of arms.

Li admitted that three accomplices were responsible for the first grenade incident on December 27. The Police are trying to round up the gang, but it is feared they have fled as a result of Li's arrest.

It is understood the Municipal Council will hand Li over to the Japanese if requested.—Reuter.

Soldiers Arrested

Shanghai, Dec. 29.
The police arrested over 20 Chinese in connection with the hand-grenade incidents in Soochow Creek following Japanese reports that the culprits were members of a band of 300 ex-soldiers formerly of Nantao and at present engaged in anti-Japanese terrorism.

The Japanese reports state that the lone Chinese arrested yesterday confessed.—United Press.

WELSHMAN HELD

Shanghai, Dec. 29.
A Welshman, Jerry Morgan, who was formerly in the light promoting and night club business, was arrested by the Japanese Consular Police at Garden Bridge to-day on charges of complicity in an attempt to take possession of three Japanese owned oil barges.

The Japanese will hand Morgan over to the Settlement Police as the charges are not connected with Japanese armed forces.—Reuter.

SETTLEMENT RIGHTS

Not Forfeited by S.M.C.
Despite Withdrawal

GRENADE INCIDENTS

Shanghai, Dec. 29.
A Shanghai Municipal Council spokesman said they had not forfeited rights to portions of the International Settlement because they withdrew police from them during the recent fighting. He said they could not expect officers to function in the midst of a battlefield, therefore the Council suspended supervision in those particular areas. But that does not follow that Council's rights were forfeited.

He drew attention to the fact that 1,000,000 people were inside the International Settlement and they could not search them all.

He said no formal representations regarding the throwing of hand grenades at the Japanese launch in Soochow Creek had been received from the Japanese authorities.

It is understood that the Japanese have demanded custody of the Chinese grenade at a Japanese army launch as it was going down Soochow Creek through the British defence sector.

The Municipal police, during the past seven days have arrested 57 on suspicion of carrying arms, thus contradicting the Japanese allegation that no attempt is being made to suppress terrorism.

A Japanese Embassy spokesman said that the foreign Consuls had not yet been notified of the Japanese army regulations, and explained that foreigners would enjoy extra-territoriality only vis-a-vis the Chinese Government and not the Japanese army.

He justified the regulations on the basis of de facto Japanese military occupation of the Shanghai area and self-defence requirements. However, he said he believed they would be only temporary.—United Press.

EXCHANGE RATES

	Dec. 28.	Dec. 29.
Paris	147.9/04	147.10/04
Geneva	21.62	21.613
Berlin	12.401	12.403
Athens	5.003	5.003
Milan	95	95
Copenhagen	22.40	22.40
Stockholm	10.40	10.40
Oslo	19.00	19.00
Helsingfors	22.04	22.04
Shanghai	172.4	172.4
New York	4.901	4.903/32
Victoria	5.003	5.003
Amsterdam	5.003	5.003
Prague	142.4	142.4
Madrid	110.4	110.4
Lisbon	110.4	110.4
Hongkong	173	173
Bombay	1.003	1.003
Silver (forward)	5.003	5.003
Yokohama	1.12	1.12
Belgrade	210	210
Montevideo	20	20
Rio de Janeiro	2.7	2.7
Bombay (Spot)	15.4	15.4
Silver (forward)	10.4	10.4
War Loan	101.7	101.7

—British Wireless.

SOUTH CHINA
PREPARES TO
RESIST ATTACK

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picted and buses are now in operation. It was a difficult task to construct this road as it must cross a mountain range and there are five rivers to cross. The bridges are not yet built, but ferries carry the cars over. In the old days it was a trip of three very hard days' travel from Pakhoi to Yanchow by land, more than likely four days. That trip can now be made in four hours, and when the bridges are built it can be done in three.

The road from Yanchow to Nanning is now finished, connecting Liemchow and Pakhoi with Nanning. In the old days, an overland trip from Pakhoi to Nanning took five or six days' hard going. This trip can now be made in eight hours by car. Buses are running up as far as Siutung, 30 miles north of Yanchow. But there is no regular service from there to Nanning as yet. Buses will soon be put on this road, however.

One may now travel by bus from Pakhoi to Onpo down to Kwangchow, French territory, on the coast of Kwangtung, and from Pakhoi west to Tungling, via Liemchow, Yanchow, Fongching, on the French Indo-China border.

One may travel from Pakhoi to Luichow, on the Luichow Peninsula, opposite Hainan, by bus in a few hours, or one may continue direct from Pakhoi to Onpo, Mouluk, Sulung, to Kongmoon; where one may board a steamer for Hongkong. The trip costs about half the amount of the steamers running between Pakhoi and Hongkong. It takes about a day less to come up by bus. In fact the fares are very reasonable on all these lines.

At least one thousand miles of highways have been built in recent years in southern Kwangtung.

Plenty Of Food

I find that there is plenty of all kinds of food in this section. The rice crop is one of the best in years. The government is not allowing any exports at all; therefore rice is cheap. There are plenty of pigs; so pork is cheap. There was a big potato crop, so the people are well provided for this winter. Business in the small market towns observe to be brisk.

Taking advantage of the absence of so many soldiers who have been sent to the front, robbers and bandits have become active. The village of Chong Kong Hau, between Liemchow and Yanchow, was looted recently, some being killed. However police have rounded up eleven of the bandits who are now in prison in Liemchow. Most of the fishing fleet has now been armed to fight the pirates who are again infesting the Gulf of Tungling.

I have just talked with one of the largest merchants in Pakhoi. He is an old friend. This merchant told me that business was quite as good now as it was this time a year ago. This was a great surprise to me since I had supposed that owing to the war severe business had fallen off at least one half. I find that the stocks in most of the stores are low, but discovered that this was due to the fact that the merchants had stored away much of their stocks in places of safety, only displaying what they had to have daily.

Ignorant Of The War

This correspondent found that many of the villagers and mountain folk were almost totally ignorant of the war. They had but the foggiest idea as to what it was all about. When talked about it the old farmers simply answered: "We are farmers and know nothing about the government. The officials come and collect the taxes, and we pay because we should do so." When asked what they would do if the Japanese took the country, they answered simply: "If they come they will collect the taxes. We pay our present officials; if the Japanese come we pay them and go on with our farming, so it does not make much difference who the officials are, whether Japanese or Chinese; in any case we must pay." They have little idea of the national issues now at stake. They can neither read nor write and spend their days with the hoe and the spade and let the world move on its way.

But in the towns we find a different situation. People are interested in what is going on. In the larger towns a small daily paper is issued and is read with great interest. While much of the news is sensational and largely rumour and cannot be relied upon, still it is better than no news at all. Most of these small dailies are run by young men just out of middle school and cannot be expected to be up to par. But they are doing their best for their country.

Salvation Bonds

House to house canvass is now being made in the interest of government finance and the people are being urged to subscribe to the Salvation Bonds. There is a gratifying response and the various towns and counties are meeting their quota. Branches of the Bank of China have been established in all the large towns to facilitate the change-over from local currency to the National Currency. At the present time one Hongkong dollar is worth approximately \$1.50 in local money of this district. It is now necessary for foreigners travelling in the interior to have in their possession "passports" in order. My advice is: "Don't try to get by without it as you will more than likely land in prison and will have no end of trouble."

WINTER SPORTS FOR
KING OF SIAMBern, Dec. 29.
The King of Siam has arrived at Bern for a winter sports holiday.—Reuter.

POST OFFICE.

HONGKONG RADIO TELEGRAPH
SERVICE

XLT Telegrams conveying New Year Greetings will be accepted by the Radio Office for transmission via Radio up to January 6, 1938.

(a) The charge for telegrams to places in China will be based on One Fourth of the ordinary rate and to other places on One Third of the ordinary rate.
(b) The minimum charge for all matters will be for ten words. Further particulars may be obtained on application at the Radio Office.

NEW YEAR CARDS

New Year cards bearing not more than five written words and enclosed in open envelopes are accepted by the Post Office at the rate for printed matter, 15 cents per 2 ounces for all countries.
Hongkong, China and Macao at 2 cents per 2 ounces.
Envelopes must not be closed.SHANGHAI AIR SERVICE
Air Mail Service to Shanghai is temporarily suspended.

NEW YEAR HOLIDAY

On Saturday, January 1, 1938, the General Post Office and Kowloon Central Post Office will be open from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. The Sheungwan Branch Post Office will be open from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. and also from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. and the other Branch Post Offices will be entirely closed. There will be one collection from the pillar boxes, one delivery of ordinary correspondence as on Sundays, and one delivery of registered correspondence at 11 a.m. The Money Order office will be entirely closed.

VIA SIBERIA ROUTE

Letters and Postcards for Europe and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if so superscribed.

OUTWARD MAIL TIMES
Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the times given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

INWARD MAILS

From	Per	Due
Japan	Nankin	December 30.
Swatow	Ninghai	December 30.
Japan	Noto Maru	December 30.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco	Pan American Airways Plane	December 30.
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan—San Francisco date, 11th December, 1937.	Pres. Coolidge	December 30.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan, and Manila (Seattle, date 11th December).	Pres. Grant	December 30.
Japan and Shanghai	Soudan	December 30.
Amoy	Taiwan	December 30.
Straits	Tjisdane	December 30.
Java and Manila	Kashima Maru	December 31.
Japan	Kwangtung	December 31.
Haliphong, Pakhoi and Hoihow	Klungchow	January 1.
Australia and Manila	Nellore	January 1.
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan—San Francisco date, 4th December, 1937.	Pres. Van Buren	January 1.
Shanghai and Foochow	Suiyang	January 1.
Straits and London Parcels—London date, 25th November, 1937.	Anhui	January 2.
Shanghai	Antenor	January 2.
Japan	Conte Verde	January 2.
Amoy	Santos Maru	January 2.
	Tjisroen	January 2.

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time
Haliphong	Canton	Thurs., Dec. 30, 2 p.m.
Air Mail for "K.L.M. Airways Service"—due Amsterdam, 9th January, 1938.	Kashima Maru	Thurs., Dec. 30, 4.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 29th January.	Reg.	Dec. 30, 5 p.m.
Air Mail for Chungking by the C.N.A.C. Plane	K.P.O.	Thurs., Dec. 30, 5 p.m.
"C.N.A.C." Airways Direct Service.	Reg.	Dec. 30, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Dec. 30, 5 p.m.
	Reg.	Dec. 30, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Dec. 31, 6 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Kumsang	Thurs., Dec. 30, 5 p.m.
	Parcels	Thurs., Dec. 30, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Dec. 31, 6.30 a.m.
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A. by the "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco, 5th January.	Pan American Airways Plane	Thurs., Dec. 30, 5 p.m.
	Kowloon P.O.	Thurs., Dec. 30, 5 p.m.
	Reg.	Dec. 30, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Dec. 31, 6 a.m.

Friday

Shanghai and Wuchow	Tai Hing	Fri., Dec. 31, 6.15 a.m.
Air Mail for Sian, Lanchow and Chengtu, etc. (via Hankow) by the "Eurasia Airways Service" (To further points by surface transport as Services permit).	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	Fri., Dec. 31, 9 a.m.
Kongmoon and (Pakhoi via Kongmoon)	On Lee	Fri., Dec. 31, 10.00 a.m.
Japan and Europe via Siberia	Fushima Maru	Fri., Dec. 31, 10 a.m.
Swatow and Shanghai	Kaying	Fri., Dec. 31, 10.30 a.m.
Sandakan	Noto Maru	Fri., Dec. 31, 12.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Selatan	Fri., Dec. 31, 3 p.m.
Swatow	Pres. Grant	Fri., Dec. 31, 3 p.m.
Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and Europe via Victoria B.C.—due Victoria B.C., 10th January and Europe via Siberia.	Parcels	Dec. 31, Noon.
Manila	Reg.	Dec. 31, 1.45 p.m.
Air Mail for "K.L.M. Airways Service"—due Amsterdam, 11th January, 1938.	Ord.	Dec. 31, 2.30 p.m.
	Reg.	Dec. 31, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Dec. 31, 5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 1st February, 1938.	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	Fri., Dec. 31, 5 p.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Parcels	Dec. 31, 1 p.m.
	Reg.	Dec. 31, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Dec. 31, 5 p.m.
	Reg.	Dec. 31, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Jan. 1, 6.30 a.m.

Saturday

Straits, Ceylon, India, East and Santos Maru	Sat., Jan. 1, 11 a.m.
South Africa	
Shanghai	Luchow Sat., Jan. 1, 11 a.m.
Foochow	Ninghai Sat., Jan. 1, 10.00 a.m.
Manila, Rabaul, Australia and New Nankin	Sat., Jan. 1, 11 a.m.
Zealand via Brisbane.	Parcels Jan. 1, 9 a.m.
(Due Brisbane, 18th January, 1938)	Reg., Jan. 1, 10.15 a.m.
	Ord., Jan. 1, 11 a.m.
"Manila	Pres. Van Euren Sat., Jan. 1, 11 a.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"	Imperial Airways Plane Sat., Jan. 1, 11 a.m.
(Due London, 10th January, 1938)	G.F.O. and K.F.O.
	Reg., Jan. 1, 11 a.m.
	Ord., Jan. 2, 9 a.m.
Air Mail for Australia by the "Imperial Airways Service" (Due Darwin, 9th January, 1938).	Imperial Airways Plane Sat., Jan. 1, 11 a.m.
	G.F.O. and K.F.O.
	Reg., Jan. 1, 11 a.m.
	Ord., Jan. 2, 9 a.m.

Free State Celebrates Its Re-Birth Churches Filled In Celebration

Dublin, Dec. 29.

The 15-year-old Irish Free State celebrated last night as Dublin clocks chimed midnight and the new State of Ireland (Eire) which was born as provided under the new constitution, was celebrated to-day with religious and military ceremonial throughout the State.

The last meeting of the Free State Executive Council was held yesterday. This morning the Government of Ireland met and took the oath of allegiance to the new constitution, after which Mr. de Valera with his ministers drove in State, accompanied by cavalry, from the Government buildings through the principal streets to the Cathedral to join the distinguished congregation attending a votive mass.

Catholics, Protestants, Jews and Quakers assembled at their respective places of worship. It was the first time all religious denominations joined in welcoming and interceding for the success of political measures.

A salute of 21 guns was fired near the city. Troops of all garrisons paraded and saluted the flag, after which the Irish National Anthem was played. Flugs fluttered from all public buildings.

DE VALERA'S POSITION

Under the new Constitution, Mr. de Valera, will be known as the Taoiseach (the Irish equivalent of Der Fuehrer or Il Duce). A new permanent body, the Council of State which will be similar to the British Privy Council, comes into being as the President's advisory body. Members will be Mr. de Valera, Lender, Mr. Sean O'Kelly, Deputy Lender, Mr. O'Sullivan, Chief Justice, Mr. Maguire, President of the High Court, Mr. Faly, Chairman of the Dail, Mr. Lynch, Attorney General, and Mr. W. Cosgrave.

The new President must be elected before August 28 by universal suffrage on proportional representation. He will sign and promulgate all laws. In general he will act on the advice of the Government, but in certain cases, on the advice of the Dail or the Taoiseach.

While jurisdiction is claimed over the whole of Ireland, it will not be exercised over Ulster. Divorce will not be recognised, even if the divorced person is abroad (he or she) cannot remarry in Ireland.—*Reuter.*

Rice Business Still Sound

Fair Return For Most Chinese Importers

The vicissitudes of the through rice trade of the Colony have kept pace with the political changes in Kwangtung. Early in the year, when the Kwangtung provincial authorities realised that a war between China and Japan was inevitable they had the foresight temporarily to abolish the heavy duties on foreign rice for some months, and permitted 4,000,000 piculs of hulled and unhulled rice to enter Kwangtung duty free.

As a result, many million dollars worth of rice was imported into Hongkong to wait for the date of the lifting of taxes so as to enter Canton, but unfortunately for the importers there was strong opposition from rice producers in Wuhu and Hunan. Following their petitions to the Nanking Government, high officials in the capital intervened and there was a delay of some weeks before the big cargo was allowed to enter Canton. The delay caused a heavy loss to many importers, as in first time all religious denominations joined in welcoming and interceding for the success of political measures.

Rice consumed by the Chinese in this Colony comes mostly from Annam and Bangkok, with a smaller importation from Rangoon. Since the imposition of the heavy Canton duty on foreign rice, which Chinese officials explained to be a means of encouraging native cultivators, over two years ago, most Hongkong importers had to be content with supplying the local and Macao consumers only.

At the time of writing, the best kind of Annam rice is selling at \$7.80, with the best Bangkok rice quoted at \$9.00 to \$9.50 per picul. But for most Chinese consumers the medium grade of Bangkok rice quoted at \$8.00 to \$9 is more commonly used. Of different quality from the Annam and Bangkok rice, Rangoon rice is in better demand in places like Swatow, Amoy, Foochow and Shanghai.

After the outbreak of hostilities in Shanghai in August, the military tension in Kwangtung caused many Chinese consumers to store rice, with the result that prices appreciated suddenly, with resultant profits to the dealers.

Although in Nam Pak Hong there are about six firms directly importing Annam rice with about the same number dealing exclusively in Bangkok rice, it is stated that only two

Manslaughter Hearing

Chinese Detective In Police Court

The charges against Chan Chun, Detective C454, of the manslaughter of Chan Sun, aged 48, was continued before Mr. K. M. A. Barnett at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday.

Mr. J. Whyatt, Assistant Attorney General, prosecuted, while Detective Inspector A. E. Carey was present for the police.

Mr. C. A. S. Russ appeared for the defendant and pleaded not guilty when the case was opened last week, when Mr. Whyatt related the events leading up to Chan Sun's death.

The witness questioned yesterday was Chan Fat, alias Chan Lim-fong, who said that he was the principal tenant at 300 Castle Peak Road, while Chan Sun lived in the rear cubicle. On the morning of August 31 he woke up and found that the head of his sewing machine had been stolen together with about ten suits of clothing.

A report was made to the Sham-shui-poo Police Station after which he went over to Hongkong with a friend named Tse Sung to look for the machine in Lower Lascar Row. From there they went to a shop in Connaught Road Central where they met a clansman Chan Tam-lin, and District Watchman 38.

The whole party then returned to Castle Peak Road where they went to the police station with the deceased Chan Sun and Wong Lap.

At the station, witness said, the deceased was assaulted several times by the defendant, and was finally dragged out into the passageway by the collar, where he collapsed.

Witness was cross-examined by Mr. Russ, who remarked that the first story witness had told to the police was correct, when he had said that he did not see anyone assault the deceased in the station, but when he had heard that a clansman of his had been charged, he had changed his story.

The case was adjourned to Friday afternoon, December 31.

Firms are buying direct from Rangoon. Of the smaller distributors there were 30 to 40 firms operating throughout the year. Since the imposition of the heavy Canton duties some of the smaller distributors have removed their offices to Chang-sha and other rice producing centres along the Yangtze, where it is found more profitable to deal in native rice, which is exempted from Kwangtung duties.

War Swells Passenger Receipts

But Freight Not Encouraging

Companies with steamers on the Hongkong-Canton, Hongkong-Wu-chow and Hongkong-Macao runs have experienced a fairly lean year in 1937, although in the case of the Canton run the vessels did good business during the latter part of the year when war threatened South China and there was a heavy movement of passengers from Canton.

During the period of tension large numbers of persons left South China for Hongkong, and a large percentage of them travelled by ship and materially increased receipts. The ship service was most operated by the Lungshan, and Sun An, which were sold into in 1936, and the night service continued a popular innovation with regard to hours of departure and arrival both at Canton and Hongkong.

The large increase in traffic was shared by the Canton-Kowloon Railway, but competition was, if anything, not so keen during 1937 as in former years, many persons considering the sea voyage on British ships safer than the trip by rail.

However, while passenger traffic showed a further increase over 1936, which itself showed an improvement on former lean years, the freight position continued dull. The volume of freight carried in 1936—the monopolisation of the sugar trade by the Chinese Government, the satisfactory output of cement by the Canton Government's works, the decreasing popularity of marine products among the Cantonese, and the discouraging of the import of foreign rice—remained serious factors in the trade position; while the difficult political situation during the past few months has still further hindered trade with South China. The total suspension of the river service for some days did not improve the position.

The position with regard to Wu-chow and Macao has remained somewhat the same during 1937 as in 1936, but here again the situation is considerably upset by the political conditions prevailing since the outbreak of hostilities in North China, and tourist traffic has suffered considerably, though large numbers of Chinese have continued to take passage for Hongkong as a place of safety. Freight, however, as in the case of the Canton service, shows the unfavourable effect of threatening war.

OVERSEAS SHIPPING

In the homeward European trade, the tonnage of cargo lifted at Hongkong during 1937 was somewhat higher than during the previous year. However, 1936, like 1935, was a somewhat disappointing one in this regard.

Rates of freight have shown an increase on almost all routes, but the increase on the other hand, have increased very considerably, both for ships' passages through the Mediterranean on their way to the Far East, and in Far Eastern waters themselves. The increase in freight rates followed the general hardening of rates which was apparent throughout 1936.

The increases affected freight moving in almost any direction either to or from Hongkong, and similar increases became effective in passenger rates to almost all ports of the world except Australia. A further development in passenger trade was the formation of a passenger conference on the Far East-Europe route in which all the major lines now participate.

During the latter part of this year the trouble in North China has made conditions here very unsettled, and both consignees and shippers have had great difficulty in Hongkong in finding cargo storage space. This difficulty is gradually being solved, however, and trade is returning to normal, but not before the Colony witnessed a remarkable increase in the amount of cargo unloaded here. This extraordinary condition, however, is the direct result of fighting in the North, and may or may not be permanent to any marked degree.

Exporters from Hongkong continue to be extremely well served in connection with their exports to Europe and ports en route, as will be readily realised when it is stated that very nearly one vessel per day leaves here for Europe via the Suez Canal, giving almost a daily opportunity for shipment.

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RADIO BROADCAST

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9. London Relay—Light Orchestra

10. London Relay—Food For Thought.

Three short talks on matters of topical interest.

9.30 London Relay—The News.

9.50 Mozart—Concerto No. 3 in G Major, K. 415.

Played by Yehudi Menuhin (Violin) and the Paris Symphony Orchestra conducted by Georges Enesco.

10.15 Mozart Songs.

Der Vogelfänger Bin Ich Jai (from The Magic Flute); Ein Mädchen Oder Weibchen (from The Magic Flute); Ewald Bohmer (Baritone) and the Berlin State Opera Orchestra.

10.22 Chopin.

Chant Polonais in G Flat Major (Op. 74, No. 5—arr. Liszt); Moriz Rosenthal (Piano); Polonaise in E Flat; J. S. Echaniz (Piano).

10.30 Light Orchestra.

Fuzia (Mihaly); Forget It, And Smile (Bohmelt); Cuban Serenade (Midgeley); Mexican Serenade (Kaschube); Barnabas Von Geeszy and His Orchestra; Immortal Strauss (A Medley of Strauss' Waltzes); Viennese Waltz Orchestra; Damask Rose—Selection (Chopin themes, adapted G. H. Clutsum); Court Symphony Orchestra.

11 Close Down.

BRAIN, BRAIN AND WAR

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work of the human any less romantic when it is expressed in devices to take a man's life cunningly by lethal gas than when it found outlet in the planning of stealthy ways of brainning a man with an axe as he rode unsuspecting through a forest glade?

Even periods of history like the "Forty-Five Rebellion," which are so dear to the hearts of romantic writers, can be shown to be seamed with the grim influences of coldly calculated destruction containing nothing fair or romantic. For instance, the instructions issued to the President's army for the attempted night attack on Cumberland's forces, the night before Culloden, enjoined the Highlanders to overturn the tents and to strike with their dirks and claymores at the protuberances in the canvas.

Here was a plain example of the human mind working, without reference to the dictates of romance or fairplay, to devise means whereby the enemy might be destroyed without the slightest opportunity—exactly as many minds are working to-day! A half-awakened man getting a dirk between his ribs as he struggled in a cocoon of canvas had about as much opportunity for the exhibition of the "manly qualities" as he would have to-day were he borne down by a tank.

The Same Principle

The crucial point of the whole matter is that man has been accustomed to rely on his brain when con-

fronting any problem, and he is not going to be limited in his efforts to achieve dominance by the use of his intellect in the field of war because some romantic and hazy ideas have been spread across the road of logical and natural development of the arts of destruction.

When the first arrow maker or the first armourer expended skill and thought in the fabrication of weapons that would be a little better than any then in existence, he was enunciating unconsciously the conception that brain cannot leave

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L. Farmer, a daughter.

The
Hongkong Telegraph.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1937.

"Preparedness"

President Roosevelt has made it known that he may ask the Appropriations Committee for further funds with which to construct warships. The American naval building plan, as laid down for the 1939 fiscal year, was not sensationally extensive—two battleships, a few cruisers and destroyers. And the developments of the past few months, it may be imagined, have altered the official view of international affairs to a degree which makes further arming advisable. Not that the United States, is preparing for war with anyone in particular—President Roosevelt has made that clear. In fact he avoids the word "preparedness," having no desire to admit that there is anyone or anything against which to prepare. It seems rather futile, dodging a phrase or a word like that when the implication in any move to speed re-armament is so obvious.

However, President Roosevelt and his associates have no wish to create mistaken impressions abroad. They have made that clear, too. Americans do not want "peace at any price," a prominent politician said the other day by way of answering the pacifist complaints of those who want to see American nation's marines and warships withdrawn from the Far East en masse. It seems that the United States is trying to steer a safe and sensible course in the matter of armaments, which, while not alarming to any nation, will at the same time indicate that it is unwise for any foreign force to tamper with American lives and property.

The pacifist element has been vociferous, and it is quite possible that its words, added to the widespread, if fallacious, belief that American isolationism is still the outstanding point of policy, might have caused misunderstanding. Therefore President Roosevelt's announcement that, though he was not seeking "preparedness," he

ARE you one of those people who wake up all merry and bright, whistle on your way to the bath, and spill wisecracks at breakfast?

Or do you feel like something the cat has brought in when you first open your eyes?

Perhaps you belong to neither of these groups. You may be one of those people who just wonder, as they stare about them, why they were ever born, thinking, with regret that they are face to face with another darned day.

Personally, I am a Group 1 man. I like the early morning. Not long ago I was staying in a house where most of the other guests were obviously not of my way of thinking. They dragged themselves into the dining-room, looked with disgust at the food, and turned baleful eyes upon me and my plate.

I decided to try to find out if most people feel as I do, or if I am in the minority. So I asked the first three men I met what time of the day they feel at their best: and (if possible) reasons for same. No diagrams required.

THE first person I approached scowled, asked me whether any one who had ever been born felt at his best in the early mornings, then turned his back on me. His reaction was definite enough. (Group 2.) The next was a motor-driver. He said he went to bed at ten

Is It True?

Some of these statements are right, some wrong. Do you know which?

1. Oysters are vegetarians.
2. Mozart did not start learning music until the age of seven.
3. Margarine is made from animal fats.
4. On the average, forty books a day are published in Great Britain.
5. The second highest mountain in the world is Kanchenjunga, in the Himalayas.
6. One of Britain's greatest writers was once a brick-layer.

Answers at foot of Column Seven.

was prepared to build warships, may be taken as an attempt to correct misconception.

Nor should it be imagined that the American hints of bigger and better fighting ships to come mean for a moment that she is endeavouring to match Britain's naval programme. There will be some suspicious minds which will jump to this conclusion. The fact is that by her actions and her attitude of the past several years the United States has tacitly admitted that parity in that direction is something she does not worry about. It is just as well, however, that President Roosevelt should have made clear at this time that it is not the British building which caused him to consider expansion of the American programme.

Taken literally, the American policy with respect to naval construction seems to be: Everyone else is building, so why shouldn't we? This may not satisfy everybody. It is reasonable that the United States should feel some concern with the state of affairs in the Pacific. She has large interests there, in Hawaii, the Philippines and other islands, to say nothing of investments on the mainland of Asia. These must be protected. And what more natural than that she should wish to be ready to meet any challenge to her interests and rights in any sphere and by any power? Why not admit it?

What time of day do you feel at your best?



OR



Ever been to a matinee and come out with a headache? Or had a bilious attack? And with it have you had a headache, or haven't you? The answer is "Yes."

Well, in both these cases you feel like the morning after, don't you? Of course you do.

Because the causes are the same. Bad blood.

In the first case, bad air causing bad blood; in the second, bad digestion. And, see here, neither you nor I can afford to be poisoned.

If we are, we lie all night in a stupor (not not alcohol—our own pet poisons)—and wake up with a head we have not deserved.

Now it takes some folk pretty nearly the whole day to work this off. Luckier ones are themselves by noon.

If you want to feel fit on waking, don't make up your mind to be careful for twenty-four hours only. No one but a bone-head believes he can alter his body in that time.

Follow this scheme out for a whole month and note results. And if you are not 100 per cent. better by Christmas, well, perhaps I will eat some one's hat.

It is mostly don't's:—

Don't fill your lungs with bad air or tobacco smoke immediately before going to bed (go outside and breathe deeply for five minutes—better still, go for a walk and when you come in, drink a glass of cold water).

Don't eat late at night.

Don't sleep in a hot bedroom.

Don't have too many or too heavy bedclothes on your bed.

By the way, do you drink cold water when you wake up? If you don't, you should.

What makes the 25 per cent. wake up fresh? Because they are not poisoned—neither do they worry in their sleep (i.e., nightmare).

My friend the motor-driver, when pressed, gave his bicycle-ride the credit for his magnificent early morning feeling. And is he cheerful all day? He is.

Anthony
Weymouth

Was It True?

(See foot of Column four.)

1. Right. They feed on the wear and tear of seaweed and sea-grass.
2. Wrong. He played before the Emperor when he was six.
3. Wrong. Usually from coconut oil.
4. Right.
5. Wrong. Mount Godwin-Austen, also in the Himalayas, is 10,000 ft. higher.
6. Right. Ben Jonson.

BRAIN, BRAIN and WAR

WE live to-day in such a continual atmosphere of intensive discussion of all matters relating to war that it might well be assumed that we had attained a sound and logical understanding of most of the main implications of this important factor in the history of the race.

Yet a glance at the writings of even some of our greatest statesmen reveals that some of the simplest lessons have not yet been grasped.

Thus, H. M. Tomlinson, when he deplores the use of poison gas in warfare, might be taken as representative of that numerous class who seem somehow to think that the incidence of such devices has made war infinitely more brutal and disgusting. "Chivalry has gone and cannot be revived," declares H. M. Tomlinson in "Mars His Idiot." "St. George himself, in a gas attack would choke himself to death without slighting the dragon. Saladin charging a tank becomes a suicidal fool."

This sort of view is all rather very surprising. But it can quite readily be seen to rest on the tenuousness of a vaguely thought out theory that somewhere in the past victory fell in some romantic fashion to some nebulous qualities called "the manly virtues."

The Decisive Factor

But what is the real and supreme "manly quality"—the quality that has raised man above the beasts? The power to think.

That quality counted in war away back in the morning of time, counted all the wars of the past and in all the most romantic episodes of history. What we are witnessing to-day in the evolution of awesome

arrays of tanks, clouds of aeroplanes and ever more deadly forms of gas is the consummation of that long process of effort by which the human brain has sought to dominate the field of destruction as it has dominated other fields of human activity.

For in war success has never come through possession of those "manly qualities," but through the control of a greater range of the forces of destruction. The Romans did not carry their conquering eagles into the realms of their enemies because they were stronger or braver men than the barbarians. The deciding factors were better arms, discipline, superior tactics and the science of fortification—all the products of the human intelligence.

The Romans were victorious as they brought a power of order and thought to the task of slaying their foes. That is to say, they used their brains to devise methods of combat which would involve situations where the skill and strength of the barbarians would be of little avail.

An Old Story

To bring the maximum factor of unfairness to bear on the enemy, to manoeuvre him into positions where his finest qualities will count for nothing and to crush him by expedients that leave him the minimum chance to reply, is the end and meaning of the military art.

Even in the most romantic days in history war never was a testing ground, unsport by invention and mechanism, for the manly virtues. St. George need not have waited for the twentieth century to choke himself to death without slighting the

enemy. The age that produced the knights produced the castle, and in attacking castles knights were liable to meet extinction in the form of a deluge of molten lead, lime or Greek Fire, and to pass from life with as little chance of showing their knightly qualities as if they had been caught in a cloud of mustard gas.

But was the warfare in which the knights engaged really so romantic at all? The knights went about in shining armour not because this was a romantic garb, but because in this way they were getting all the advantages the metallurgical science of that day could devise to aid man's task of destroying his fellows.

These armoured knights would ride down the lightly armed infantry, break their ranks, and slaughter them at leisure, till the development of archery, putting the necessary factor of unfairness on the other side, and allow the foot men to shoot down the knights before they had a chance to use their lances.

Similarly, any of the expedients of the military art in the days of the past look very stirring and romantic till we examine them more closely. A "flank attack" depends for its success on bringing an overpowering irruption of men on an exposed wing of the enemy's organisation.

Taken in the Rear

To "take the enemy in the rear" means to seek to shoot in the back a crowd of men heavily engaged in front. An ambushade has its main value in the opportunities it allows of killing numbers of the enemy before they have even the time to put a hand to their weapons. Is the

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SINGAPORE BASE PLANNED IN 1909

PACIFIC
NAVAL
DEFENCE
SCHEME

With news that the Singapore Naval Base may be "officially opened" in the near future, it is recalled that as far back as 1909 the possible use of Singapore as a "great naval centre" was envisaged by an Indian staff officer in a speech to the Central Asian Society on "India in Imperial Defence."

The speaker, a Captain Macaulay suggested that India should "take over the defence of Colombo and Singapore and have the forces there included in the Indian defence system."

The East India and China Squadrons should, he said, be incorporated in one fleet with headquarters in Singapore, and India should take over the maintenance of the India and China Fleet units.

World Strategy Upset By
Rise Of Japan.

Captain Macaulay's reasons for making India a great sea power were that the "rise of Japan as a great world Power had altered world strategy and had a disturbing effect on Asia."

The development of Japan, he said, might be regarded as a present day manifestation of, an acute symptom, of the development of the Pacific, and no part of the British Empire or the world "has a greater interest in the development of the Pacific than India."

When Singaporeans of the day were avidly discussing these "remarkable suggestions," a quaintly worded prediction appearing in the Straits Times of Mar. 23, 1907, on the new harbour works proceeding in Singapore was recalled. It read:

"And it came to pass in the days when John the Son of Andrew, was Governor of the City of the Lion, that there was much walling and gnashing of teeth among the people of the City of the Lion, forasmuch as Caesar had decided to spend many shekels of silver in improvements of the waterways of the City."

"And the people of the City of the Lion thought that no good would arise by spending so many shekels of silver, inasmuch as the people were not wealthy, and would therefore be compelled to borrow from the lenders of money."

"And the people of the City of the Lion were very wrath with John the Son of Andrew and his Counsellors, and they appealed unto Caesar."

"But Caesar listened not unto their prayer, and there came up unto the City of the Lion many overseers and ships laden with cargoes of wood and stone, and workmen skilled in the art of building walls to keep back the sea and in the building of docks."

"And after many days there came to the City of the Lion a Prophet from a far country, and the people communed with him and told him of these things."

"And the Prophet spake unto the people of the City of the Lion, ye are very foolish! Verily the mind of the multitude is as narrow as the eyelids of the people of far Cathay, and with their eyes they see not."

"Oh people of the City of the Lion! Can ye not see the Signs of the Times?"

"Not the Kings of the Earth striving after Peace among all Peoples. Do they not desire to reduce the Hosts and the Ships of War of all Nations, so that Times of Peace and Plenty may fall upon the people?"

"Do not the ships of war of Caesar meet in the harbour of the City of the Lion once every year? Is not the Harbour of the City a safe refuge for all the ships of war of Caesar, nay for all the Navies of the World?"

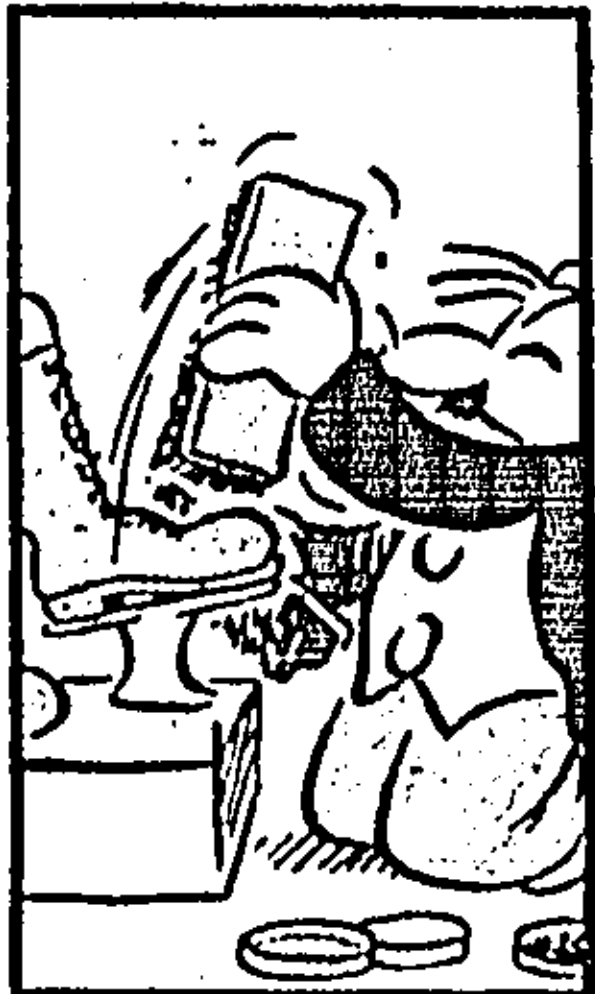
"Does the earth shake in the City of the Lion? Does the sea rise or the mighty winds blow in the Harbour of the City of the Lion?"

"Is the Harbour of the City of the Lion like unto the Harbours of Hong-kong and other cities where the sea rises and the mighty winds blow and destruction is spread among the Ships of War?"

"Verily I say unto you, the time will come when the Ships of War from the East and Ships of War from the West will leave the Harbours of the City of Hongkong and other Cities and will gather themselves together in the Harbour of the City of the Lion?"

"Oh, ye foolish People, leave unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's for the wisdom of Caesar comprehendeth the wisdom of the multitude like wine unto water. I have spoken. —The Prophet."

Ferdinand



He Wished She'd Leg It

ACTRESS CALLS
VISCOUNT
"A SCOUNDREL"

RISE from her seat in the witness box at Westminster County Court, Miss Adele Royle, actress and mannequin, of Albany Street, Regent's Park, shouted to Viscount Kingsborough:

"You are a scoundrel. You know you are. I will kill you." Miss Royle, who was sued by Maple and Company for £29 12s. 8d., sobbed during her evidence, and twice the Court was adjourned so that she could recover.

Viscount Kingsborough, son and heir of the Earl of Kingston, was joined as third party by Miss Royle, who claimed to be "intimidated against the whole of plaintiffs claim and costs."

MISS ROYLE TO PAY

Mr. Tudor Jones, for Miss Royle, said that so far as the amount of the claim was concerned he did not dispute it.

Judge Sir Mordaunt Snagge gave judgment for Maples with costs against Miss Royle and judgment for Lord Kingsborough with costs against Miss Royle.

The Judge said that as between plaintiff and defendant there was considerable conflict of evidence, but he had decided to accept the evidence on behalf of Maples that at no time was the name of Lord Kingsborough mentioned.

Regarding the third party he had reached a conclusion that in the circumstances the evidence of Lord Kingsborough must be accepted as the more reliable and truthful account.

"HE LEFT ME"

When the case opened Mr. G. G. Baker, for Messrs. Maple, read from

They're Real
Cooks In The
Army Now

The days of the old "come-and-get-it," "take-it-or-leave-it" cooking in the British Army are no more, if one is to believe latest reports from England. Whether the British "tommy" can cook in these views is another matter.

According to the Aldershot correspondent of the London Times, the importance of good cooking is only recognized in the Army of today, and there has been a noteworthy improvement in cookhouse standards in recent years.

The judges at the finals of this year's Army cookery competitions, held recently at army school of cookery, were of opinion that the work of the contestants was better than ever before. The part-time cooks of the Territorial Army, for whom there was a separate competition, showed a similar advance on the previous year.

Mr. Horre-Belisha, went to Aldershot to present the prizes, and to demonstrate that the War Office, even to the very top, is alive to the value of the service performed by the school through its courses for company cooks, sergeant cooks, and advanced training of cooks and instruction for officers and sergeants' messes. Approximately 80 officers and 740 other ranks pass through the school every year.

The school is also the experimental centre for Army catering in all its branches, and is made to cook on the interesting demonstrations which Mr. Horre-Belisha saw were those showing how the soldier's food is cooked in the field and on active service. The travelling kitchens used in the Great War have disappeared, and nowadays no attempt is made to cook on the march. The apparatus which has replaced them uses petrol as fuel, petrol being among the normal stores of most units of the new mechanized Army. There are portable cookers of various sizes to serve detachments ranging from a handful of men up to large units, this making even the smallest detachment self-sufficient.

a document in which Miss Royle had joined Viscount Kingsborough as a third party.

In it she said: "From November, 1930, to April, 1936, I lived with Viscount Kingsborough as his wife at Wyndham Court, Viscount Kingsborough left me on April 10, 1936. . . . About June 20, 1936, Viscount Kingsborough authorised me to instruct the plaintiffs to collect and deliver the furniture from Wyndham Court to White House, and engage to make certain renovations at the White House."

Miss Royle's statement added that she informed Maple's representative that she was giving the orders on behalf of Viscount Kingsborough, and the account was to be sent to his solicitors.

Mr. Baker said that it was only in September when she was being pressed for payment that Miss Royle informed Messrs. Maple that the work was being done on the instruction of Viscount Kingsborough.

Miss Royle, in evidence, said she thought she made it clear to each assistant at Messrs. Maple that she was giving orders on behalf of Lord Kingsborough.

Mr. Jones: Why did you write the letter asking for time to settle the account? Because I felt so humiliated that Lord Kingsborough had not settled the account.

Mr. Baker (referring to the correspondence with Maple's): From first to last there is not a word about Lord Kingsborough?—No.

Mr. Quintin Hong (for Lord Kingsborough): When he left I said he parted from you for ever, and was never going to have anything more to do with you?—Yes, more or less.

Miss Royle said that Lord Kingsborough not only promised to pay for the furniture in store, but for the flat in the White House.

She agreed that there had been two other cases.

Mr. Hong: In the High Court you brought an action for breach of promise, and on the advice of your solicitors you consented to it being dismissed with costs?—I agreed to withdraw the action.

"DREADFUL LIES"

In the second action Lord Kingsborough brought proceedings. You gave evidence, you were not believed, and you lost—I lost, but I think they believed me.

You hate Lord Kingsborough so much that you would tell any stories about him?—No. He is the one who will hurt me. He has told the most dreadful lies.

Lord Kingsborough, in evidence, denied that he had ever had a telephone conversation with Miss Royle on June 20.

Cross-examined by Mr. Tudor Jones, he agreed that he lived with Miss Royle for seven years. He denied that he had ever given authorisation to Miss Royle to give the orders in dispute to Maple's.

GERMAN BIRTH
RATE FALLS
18,000 Suicides A
Year

Berlin. There were 18,422 suicides, including 5,544 women, in Germany in 1935—379 fewer than the previous year, but nearly 3,000 more than in 1913.

Executions numbered 86, as against 152 in 1934.

Divorces in 1935 increased by 553 to 80,337, and illegitimate births by 2,084 to 104,900. Total births declined by 55,123 to 1,110,130.

Doyle So Near
Yet So Farr—

When Tommy Farr, British and Empire heavyweight boxing champion, was informed recently that a syndicate was negotiating for a fight between him and Jack Doyle, the Irish singer, he said:

"Why should Doyle, of all people, have this plum in British boxing—a title fight with me for a purse of £15,000—when there are dozens of other men who have prior rights?"

"If Doyle wants a contest with me let him first accredit himself with the British boxing public by going through an eliminating series."

Doyle said: "I am a great admirer of what Farr has done, but I think the title is there for the taking if I can get into the ring with him."

SPECIAL EMPIRE
CABLES102 MORE 'PLANES
FOR CANADA

Montreal, Dec. 13. Canada is to provide her Air Force with 102 more planes in the present fiscal year.

Mr. MacKenzie, Minister of Defence, stated: "To fortify our defence, we feel it our duty to make changes, and I ask for your support until the reorganisation is complete. With the idealism of the Empire in view, we are looking to the future."

On Sept. 1, 1936, the number of machines in the Canadian Air Force was 1,055.

Special Credit Trial.—Mr. J. M. Uawin, Social Credit member of the Alberta Legislature, was today sentenced by Mr. Justice Ives to three months' hard labour following his conviction on two charges of defamatory libel. The sentence will be served at Fort Saskatchewan. The charges arose out of a Social Credit pamphlet referring to Senator Griesbach and eight other Alberta business men as "bankers' tories."

IMPERIAL AIRWAYS
PLANS

Bombay. It is reported from Karachi that Imperial Airways is likely to move its Eastern headquarters from there to Calcutta with a view to making Calcutta the terminus next year when machines will be put into service.

The proposal is still under consideration. It would entail the removal of the entire office, except the traffic department, and possibly the shifting of the workshops. Insurance For All.—The Government of Bombay has prepared a scheme for insurance against illness and provision for retirement, old age and death. It is recognised that such provision might be the best counter-move to the growing spirit of industrial unrest, but commercial bodies doubt the ability of some of the young industries to pay what would be necessary.

The Sugar Convention.—It is understood that the Government of India intends to ratify the International Sugar Convention, regulating the production and marketing of sugar. It will disregard the adverse vote on Sept. 27 of the Legislative Assembly on the ground that ratification will best serve the interests of all.

Timber Stealing.—Local authorities are concerned at the number of raids by aboriginal peasants on forest produce on the Paramath Hills in Bihar. The area is patrolled by the police, but nevertheless considerable cutting of timber is taking place. Several arrests have been made.

QUEENSLAND CRIME

Brisbane. Queensland claims that it has less crime in proportion to its population than any other State in Australia. The State has six prisons with accommodation for 630 prisoners. At the moment there are fewer than 300 in them.—D. U. P.

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1 Time and Weather. 1.03 Albert Sandler and His Orchestra.

A Little Love, A Little Kiss (Silesu); Because (d'Hardelot); Gipsy Sing For Me (Meisel); Heartless (Meisel); I Want Your Heart (Haydn Woods); Mosquerade (Jeb); Adore (West); Love Everlasting (Primi); Tell Me To-night (Spollansky).

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press; Weather and Announcements. 1.40 Charlie Kunz (Piano) and Turner Layton (Vocal and Piano).

Piano: Madley Of Strauss Waltzes; Charlie Kunz; I'm A Fool For Loving You (Lewis and Wendling); Au Revoir (Gilbert); If I Should Lose You (film 'Rose of the Rancho'); Turner Layton; Charlie Kunz Piano Madley No. 4; Charlie Kunz.

2 Band Music. "Semramide" Overture (Rossini) ... Creator's Band; La Source Ballet (arr. Winterbottom) ... The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards. 2.15 Close Down.

8.05-11 Chinese Programme. 5 Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hong-kong Hotel.

1 Have you got any castles; 2 Moonlight on the Campus; 3 You got something; 4 Ole King Cole. 5.15 Interval of recorded dance music from Z.B.W.

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10.20		Ar NANKING	Lv	10.40	

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	10.40	Lv ICHANG	Lv		
	12.00	Lv WANHSIEN	Lv		
	12.40	Ar CHUNGKING	Lv		
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ANNUAL RACE MEETING PROGRAMME

FEBRUARY 19, FIXED AS FIRST DAY OF CARNIVAL

The Annual Race Week will open on Saturday, February 19, with twelve races on the programme and below we publish the events for the first and second day—

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1938

1.—11.30 a.m.—The Foochow Cup.—Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Ponies that have started at least three times at Race Meetings of this Club previous to this Meeting and have never won a race at such Meetings and Grifins of this Meeting allowed 7 lb. Subscription Grifins of this Club of this Meeting allowed 12 lb. Jockey Allowance. Allowances accumulative. Entrance \$10. One and a Half Miles.

2.—12 noon.—The Maiden Stakes.—Winner \$1,000. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies, bona fide Grifins of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance \$10. Six Furlongs.

3.—12.30 p.m. or 7.—3.30 p.m.—The Sydney Maiden Stakes.—(First or Second Section). Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For Australia Ponies. Grifins of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance \$10. Six Furlongs.

4.—1.00 p.m.—The China Stakes.—Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance \$10. From the 1 1/2 Mile Post (About Five Furlongs).

5.—1.30 p.m. or 6.—3 p.m.—The Wong-Nel-Chong Stakes.—(First or Second Section). Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies. Subscription Grifins of this Club of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$10. Half a Mile.

6.—3 p.m.—The The Wong-Nel-Chong Stakes.—(Second Section). (See Race No. 3).

7.—3.30 p.m.—The Sydney Maiden Stakes.—(Second Section). (See Race No. 3).

8.—1 p.m.—The Trial Plate.—Winner \$1,000. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies, bona fide Grifins of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance \$10. One and a Quarter Miles.

9.—4.30 p.m.—The Valley Stakes.—Winner \$1,000. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies. Subscription Grifins of this Club of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance \$10. Six Furlongs.

10.—5 p.m.—The Curragh Handicap.—Winner \$600. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies classified "C" Class as at 31st December, 1937, and Grifins of this Meeting. Weight 140 lb. 1 lb. penalty. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

11.—5.30 p.m.—The Bendigo Stakes.—Winner \$600. Second \$300. Third \$200. For Australia Ponies. Ponies classified "A" Class as at 31st December, 1937, and Grifins of this Meeting. Weight 140 lb. 1 lb. penalty for every \$200 or part thereof won in stakes since 1st January, 1937. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

12.—6 p.m.—The New Stables Plate.—Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance \$10. From the Two Mile Post Once Round and In (About One Mile 171 Yards).

13.—6 p.m.—The Perth Plate.—(Second Section). (See Race No. 2).

14.—6 p.m.—The Perth Plate.—(First or Second Section). Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For Australia Ponies. Grifins of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

15.—12.30 p.m.—The Lusitano Cup.—Presented by Members of the Club Lusitano, with \$800 added for Winner. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies, bona fide Grifins of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

16.—1.30 p.m.—The Garrison Cup.—Presented by the Officers of the Garrison, with \$800 added for Winner. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies, Subscription Grifins of this Club of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

17.—2 p.m.—The Victoria Stakes.—Winner \$1,000. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

18.—3 p.m.—The Exchange Plate.—Presented by the Bankers and Exchange Brokers of Hongkong. Value \$1,000 to Winner. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies. Subscription Grifins of this Club of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

19.—4 p.m.—The Exchange Plate.—Presented by the Bankers and Exchange Brokers of Hongkong. Value \$1,000 to Winner. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies. Subscription Grifins of this Club of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

20.—5 p.m.—The Exchange Plate.—Presented by the Bankers and Exchange Brokers of Hongkong. Value \$1,000 to Winner. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies. Subscription Grifins of this Club of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

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23.—8 p.m.—The Exchange Plate.—Presented by the Bankers and Exchange Brokers of Hongkong. Value \$1,000 to Winner. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies. Subscription Grifins of this Club of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

24.—9 p.m.—The Exchange Plate.—Presented by the Bankers and Exchange Brokers of Hongkong. Value \$1,000 to Winner. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies. Subscription Grifins of this Club of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

25.—10 p.m.—The Exchange Plate.—Presented by the Bankers and Exchange Brokers of Hongkong. Value \$1,000 to Winner. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies. Subscription Grifins of this Club of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

RIFLE SHOOTING Inter-Colonial Match To-day

Those chosen to represent the Colony in the Inter-Colonial rifle match this afternoon are:

S.R. (a).—Lt. A. O. Pullman (Middle), captain, Lieut. R. F. Jones, R.N., Capt. W. Newton (Middle), Superintendent officers, P.O. Richards, Sgt. Cooper, L/Cpl. Langford, L/Cpl. Baker, L/Sgt. Jordan, Pte. Moss, (Middle), Sgt. Blackell, R.M., Cpl. Purnan Singh, (H.K.P.), Reserves: Pte. Cox, (Middle), Pte. Cranston, (Sensational).

S.R. (b).—Major D. H. Steers, captain, P.O. Pellow, Mr. Watson, (D.R.C.), Sgt. Mannell, R.M., Cpl. Morris, R.M., Capt. Ratcliffe, (R.U.R.), Lieut. Hawkins, R.E., Cpl. Miller, R.M., Mr. Austin, (D.R.C.), Reserves: Sgt. Russell (H.K.P.), Mr. Lakeman (D.R.C.).

Shooting will begin at 1.50 p.m. Yesterday there were between 60 and 70 at the spoon and practice shoot, but the varying light and wind proved troublesome to many.

Concurrently with the shoot a return match was held between the Fourth Submarine Flotilla Rifle Club and that of the Middlesex. Once again the soldiers had to take second place, in spite of the generous handicap of 55 to compensate for their having to use the S.R. (a) rifle, as opposed to the universal use of the S.R. (b) weapon, in the case of the sailors.

One of the Bronze Medals presented recently to the Fourth Submarine Flotilla R.C. was awarded to the individual who made the highest score among members of the Royal Navy who were shooting on this occasion. It was won by E. R. A. Haynes, who tied with Lieut. Jones with an aggregate of 95, but in accordance with the Regulations, the first named took the Medal as he made the highest score at the longest distance.

Scores:
4th Submarine Flotilla

E.R.A. Haynes 300 500 600 711
Lieut. Atkinson 27 28 27 82
Lieut. Jones 27 28 27 82
P.O. Clark 27 28 27 82
E.R.A. Seymour 28 30 31 89
Cpl. Purnan Singh 28 31 27 86
Lieut. Jones 32 32 29 93
L/Sec. Knight 28 32 30 90
Total 228 244 230 702

Middlesex
Pte. Middleton 26 25 30 81
Pte. Moss 27 28 26 82
L/Cpl. Baker 22 20 28 70
L/Cpl. Langford 27 23 24 74
L/Sgt. Jordan 27 28 30 85
Pte. Cox 26 24 26 76
Pte. Rawling 23 26 26 75
Total 196 214 210 620

S.R. (b)
300 500 600 32
C.P.O. Pellow (Scr.) 30 32 30 92
E.R.A. Haynes (Scr.) 29 33 31 93
Lieut. Jones (Scr.) 27 28 27 82
Lieut. Hawkins (Scr.) 27 28 27 82
L/Cpl. Downing (1) 29 33 30 92
L/Cpl. Downing (2) 29 31 31 91
Sgt. Mannell (Scr.) 26 31 33 90
P.O. Clark (3) 33 29 27 89
L/Cpl. Atkinson (3) 31 28 28 87
E.R.A. Seymour (2) 28 31 31 89
Capt. Robertson 31 29 28 89
L/Cpl. Purnan (3) 28 31 28 87
P.O. Hinds (4) 26 29 28 83
E.A. Johns (4) 25 31 27 83
P.O. Silcock (2) 25 28 28 81
Stoker Robinson (6) 27 29 27 83
All the above competitors used the "91" rifle.

S.R. (a)
30 32 30 92
L/Cpl. Jordan 27 28 27 82
Pte. Cranston 27 28 27 82
L/Cpl. Langford 27 23 24 74
Pte. Moss 27 28 26 82
C.S.M. Bradley 27 28 28 83
Pte. Middleton 26 25 30 81
L/Cpl. Baird 9 24 28 41
L/Cpl. Macdonald 12 27 30 71
L/Cpl. Macdonald 12 27 30 71
Denotes the winner of the "net"

spoon. X Denotes the winner of the "handicap" spoon. The handicap of each winner has been reduced by one point as shown. This procedure applies to all S.R. (a) and S.R. (b) Spoon Shoot.

CHARITY SOCCER
A football match to raise funds for the Ministering Children's League will be played between the Royal Navy and Royal Marines on the Navy ground on January 5. The kick-off will be at 4 p.m.

Club "A" beat a Navy team in a rugby match, 10 to 5, on the Club ground yesterday.

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Well, let me make some suggestions for you from the fiction, the travel books and the reminiscences that have attracted me during the last three months, grading them, as far as possible, according to Particular Readers.

For those who like a note of romance in their novels, Vaughan Wilkins leads the list with that galloping stage-coach of a yarn, *And So—Victoria*, the summer's most sensational historical tale. Erich Maria Remarque offers *Three Comrades*, simple, idyllic and most moving. And in *Tod Wilky*, Robert Darnell has written a fresh, lively and convincing

story about a London lorry-driver. H. G. Wells fuses romance and action in the stimulating pages of his "long-short" *Star Beethoven*. How readable he remains, after more than forty years of authorship! Fannie Hurst's *Great Laughter* is the immense, sprawling, lush chronicle of an immense, sprawling American family. There is an inevitable, fairy-tale touch about Lewis Gibbs' quiet, sensitive *Lola in Love*.

For those who want realism in their novels, despite that professor's daughter, *All Hands* is a splendid sea story in H. M. Tomlinson's happiest mood. *Six Days' Grace*, which stages an election for the Governorship of one of the United States, is W. R. Burnett's best yet. And Rudolf Brunner's *Stadium* is a fascinating, pioneering tale about the most precious substance in the world, Murray Constantine's *Swastika Night* lifts a dark curtain from the seventh century of the Italian Renaissance. In *A Ship Burning*, Richard Sale tells you, tensely, what happens when fire

sweeps a boat at sea. Lion Feuchtwanger's *The False Nero* is a long, magnificently played novel about a dismal little dictator in Roman times.

For those insatiable slouths who prefer tales of mystery and detection, I thought Elspeth Huxley's *Murder at Government House* one of the season's most light-hearted and ingenious stories. If you are a Dorothy L. Sayers' fan, you may forgive her for the "love stuff" in *Duncan's Honey-moon*. And make a note of Margery Allingham's accomplished *Dancers in Mourning*.

Josephine Bell has arrived with that lively, original tale of the wards, *Murder in Hospital*. Agatha Christie is as competent, baffling and convincing as ever in *Dumb Witness*. And if you demand an authentic nightmare setting to your detective fiction, Jonathan Latimer's *The Lady in the Morgue* will be the Real Right Goods for you.

For those who like the true life *Journal of Reminiscences*, unfinished *Journals*, by the Welsh miner-author, Jack Jones, is a richly entertaining

and significant autobiography. Old Jules features, with the aid of his daughter, Mari Sandoz, the surliest and toughest of Nebraska pioneers. And Oliver St. John Gogarty delights to set the cat among the Dublin pigeons in *As I Was Going Down Sackville Street*.

F. Lawrence, by his *Friends*, in which eighty men and women unite to praise Lawrence of Arabia, is one of the most remarkable biographical mosaics of our generation. Stevenson's stepdaughter, Isabel Field, writes revealingly of him, and his circle in *This Life I've Lived*. Anthony Weymouth's *Who'd Be a Doctor?* is crowded with good-natured and good—stories of the consulting room.

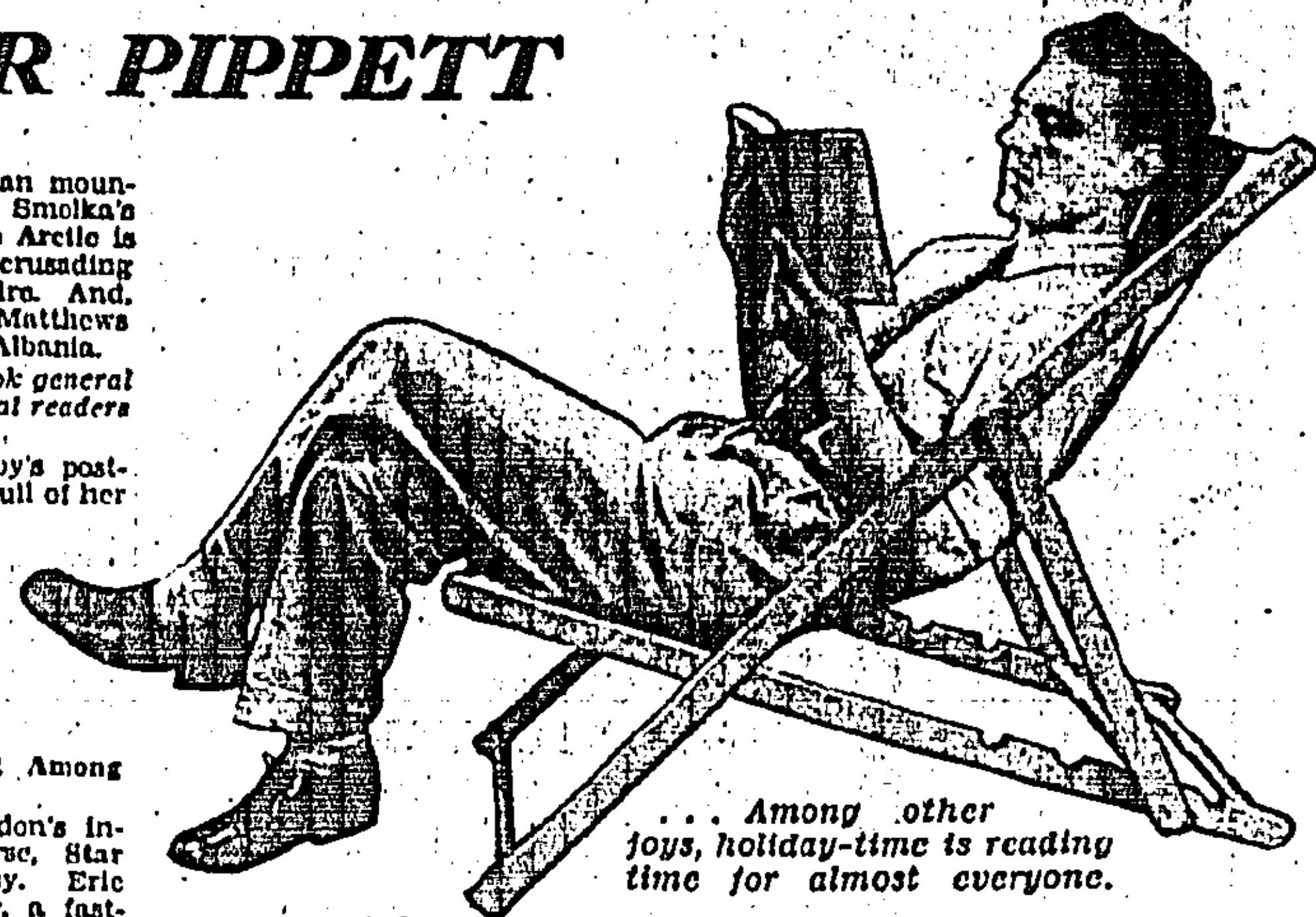
For the reader of travel books, among the coolest and most courageous volumes this summer is F. S.

Smythe's record of Himalayan mountaineering, *Camp Six*. H. P. Smolka's *Forty Thousand Against the Arctic* is a stirring revelation of the crusading spirit in Russia's Polar Empire. And in *Sons of the Eagle*, Ronald Matthews paints a brilliant portrait of Albania.

Lastly, here are two six-book general selections for the experimental readers

Holiday. The first, Winifred Holtby's post-humorous *Letters to a Friend*, full of her shrewd, sunny vivacity. John P. Marquand's artful "memoir," *The Late George Apley*. And four varied novels—E. M. Deland's *Nothing is Safe*, Leo Walmsley's *Sally Lunn*, F. H. Dorset's *The Marching Cloud* and Ramon J. Sender's *Mr. Witt Among the Rebels*.

The second, *Old Stimpson's Inspiring Tour of the Universe*, Star Maker, a superb super-fantasy. Eric Ambler's *Uncertain Danger*, a fast-paced, out-of-the-ordinary thriller. And four novels—*Edith Forbes* by F. S. E. C. Large's *Sugar in the Air*, Graham Heath's *Brief Flower of Youth* and Daniel Fuchs' *Neptune Beach*.



Among other joys, holiday-time is reading time for almost everyone.

KING OF THE CANNIBAL ISLES

By A. B. Brewster
(Robert Hale, 18s.)

A CANNIBAL, we are assured in this book, can be really quite a pleasant person, except for his table manners. And Ebenezer Thakombau seems to have made a very amiable Fijian king.

True, he had kingship more or less thrust upon him. He threw away the crown they made for his coronation (it was of zinc, studded with glass), and he found being a king a bit of a nuisance because other countries held him responsible for all sorts of things he could not be blamed for.

But he did his best. He formed a government, with an upper and a lower house and a "Mister Speaker" and a very nice mace. And the government appointed judges with wigs and robes and passed all sorts of laws that pushed cannibalism farther into the background and presumably put Fiji on the Path of Progress.

All that was in what we must assume were "the good old days" before the formal annexation of Britain, when Fiji was ten shillings or so a case, land was to be had by settlers from Sydney and Melbourne for the asking and it was possible to live easily and comfortably, even though lurking round the corner was always the chance of being served up as a dainty dish.

King Thakombau, of course, no longer reigns in Fiji, but they thought such a lot of him when he died in 1883 that they kept his body for four months before the funeral honours.

Then a great meteor exploded, and the natives said it was his spirit expressing indignation at being so long unburied. Ebenezer, says Mr. Brewster, was thorough in all things. "As a cannibal he was terrible and bloodthirsty. When he embraced Christianity he did so with his whole heart, and finally, as a subject of the Queen, he gave her his full obedience."

Only once he seems to have kicked over the "kingly traces" when, in his feeble old age, he insisted on wedding a young and buxom maid. He had native custom on his side, but he didn't live long after that.

The author of this book is now eighty-three. He went to Fiji as a boy and spent forty years in Government service there. Memory Corner is not always boring. When this octogenarian takes you there it becomes entertaining as well as informative and sometimes very lively.

There is, for instance, that story of the missionary who, giving evidence in a law court one terribly hot day, seized what looked like a water-bottle on the barristers' table, filled a tumbler, took a deep draught and dashed the glass down in disgust and anger. "It was good, Hollands gin, that liqueur which, it is said, used to stand in large, innocent-looking canines on the same table as the mace in Fiji's House of Commons." H. G. F.

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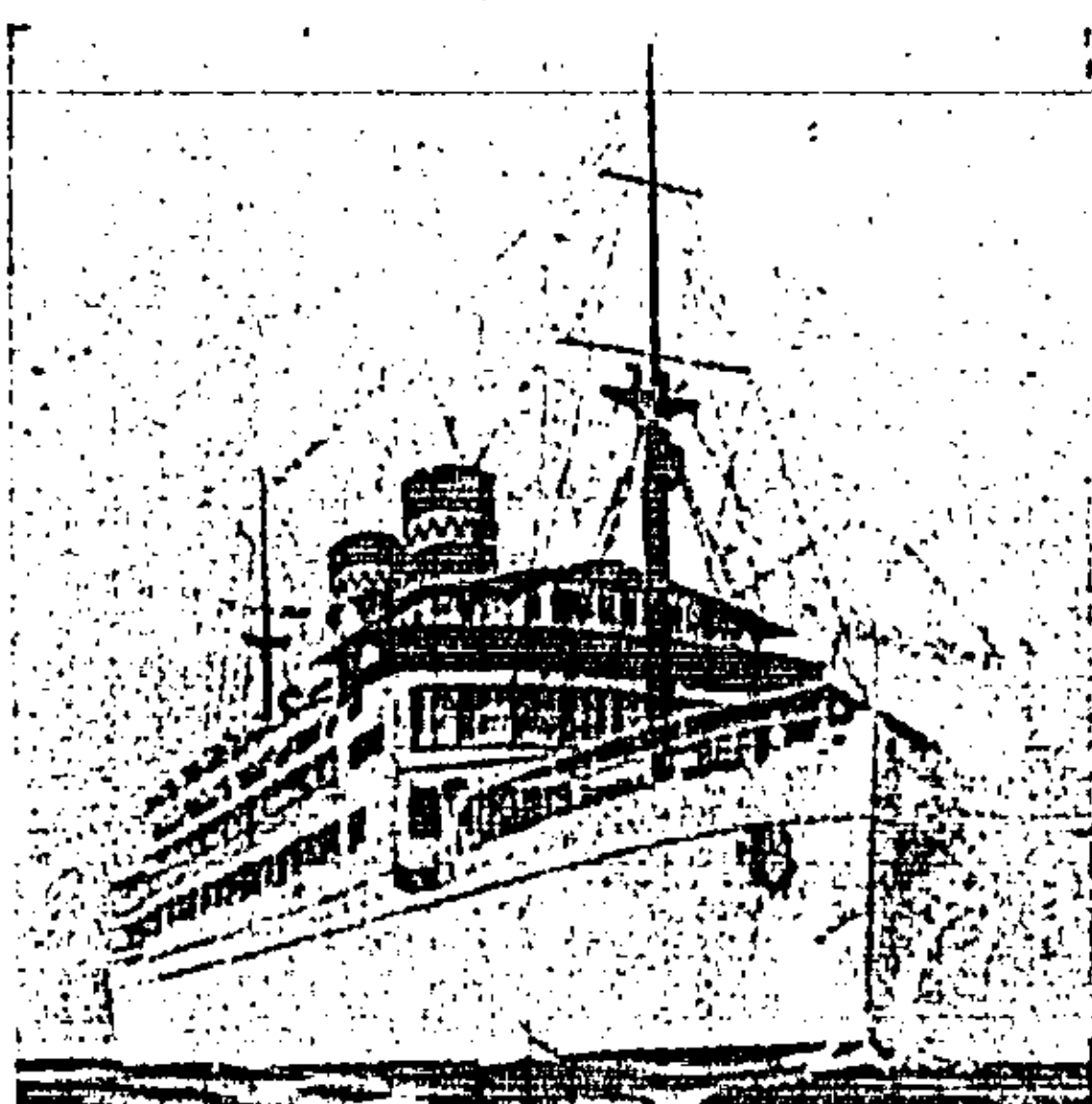
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Kitano Maru Wed., 22nd Jan. (1938)

Kamo Maru Wed., 26th Jan. (1938)

Bombay via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.

†Hakodate Maru Mon., 10th Jan. (1938)

†Toyooka Maru Thurs., 27th Jan. (1938)

Calcutta via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.

Tottori Maru Wed., 26th Jan. (1938)

Kobe & Yokohama. (Omitting Shanghai)

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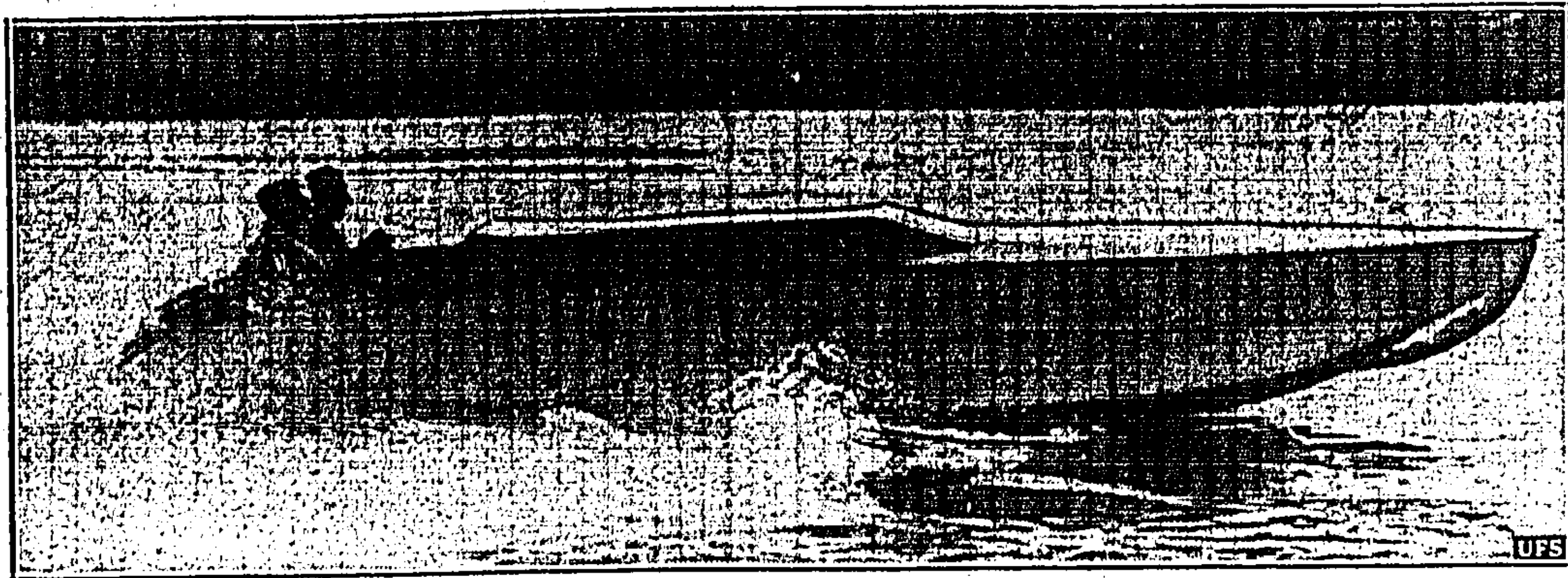
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FOR CHINESE SUICIDE FLEET—In process of testing by Arno Ap. J. veteran speedboat pilot, here is one of 12 of the speedy craft being built at Alliance City, N. J., for the Chinese government. They are believed designed for the "suicide fleet" which, loaded with about 500 pounds of explosive in each bow, shoot their load against enemy ships and attempt to get away.—Copyright United Newspictures.



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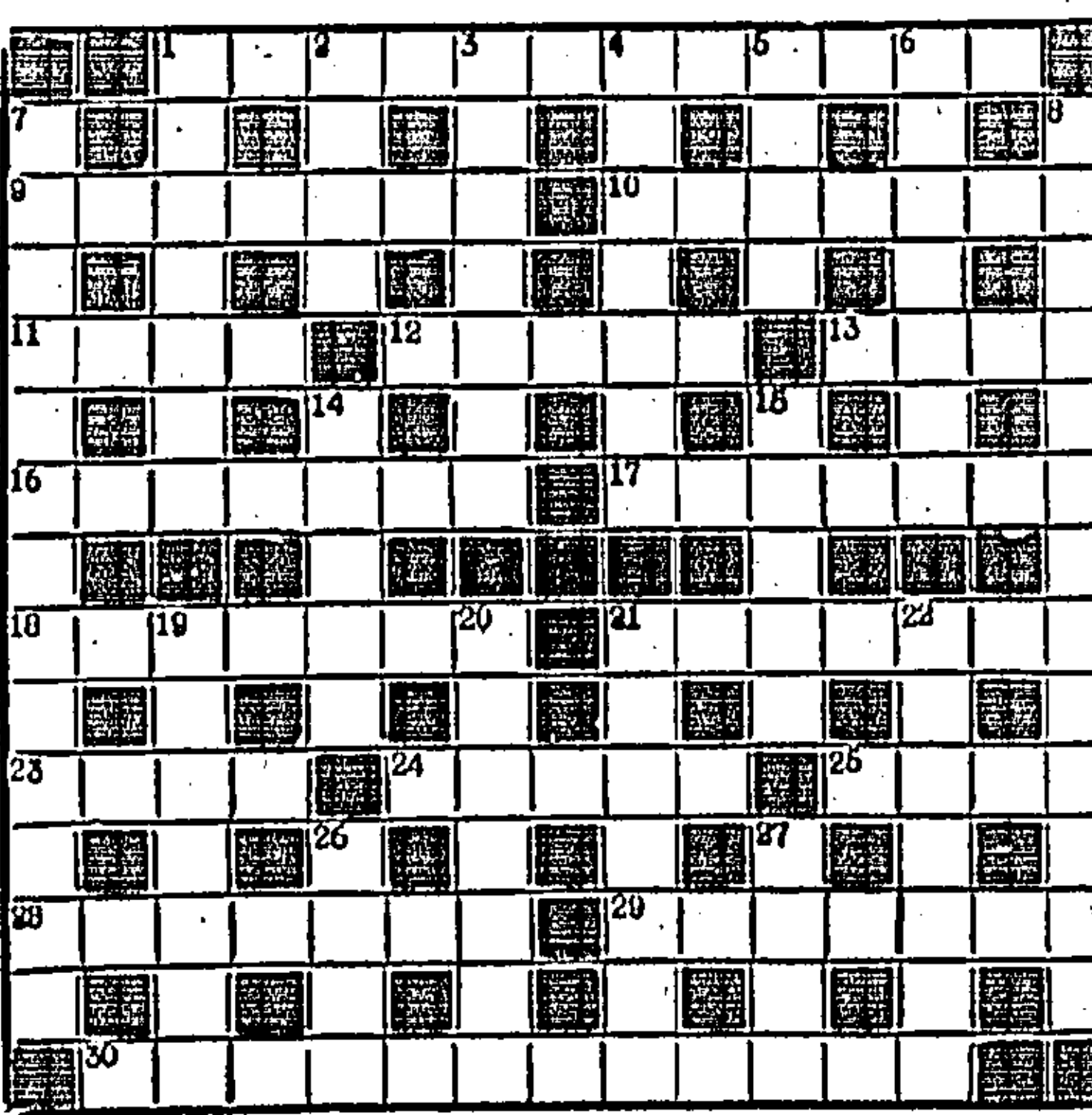
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ACROSS
1 Insight ends in settlement (12).
2 This horse individual started as a well-known boxer (7).
10 Headless gangster in unusual guise (4).
11 This is certainly hard on crops (4).
12 He is even wicked with his head cut off (5).
13 Has different meanings to the cricketer, sailor, and criminal (4).
14 A sin of omission (7).
17 Fish (7).
18 The kind of bottle that is no longer attractive (7).
21 She is both fair and dark (7).
23 More than one yet less than one (4).
24 This myth should be beheaded to show the kind of creature it is (5).
25 This soothes (4).
26 Colour mostly of a "baby" car apparently (7).
28 Some seek counsel for this idea (4).
30 Striking back (12).
DOWN
1 A common headline (7).
2 11 across's softer self (4).
3 A sign sounding suggestive of a bad shelter? (7).
4 May be mouldy work, this (7).
5 Light stuff often drawn (4).
6 A matter of weight (7).
7 Casual quality that used to lead them to amputate thieves at the wrist (13).

8 This, of course, would restore interest to the bottle that was 18 across (13).
14 There is grave risk for a 24 across over fifty (5).
15 A saw that time puts an end to (5).
19 This vessel can show speed around the vicinity of the bar (7).
20 Harsh (7).
21 Even Hercules might have been this sometimes, or Venus in disguise (7).
22 The art of dodging (7).
23 This should help you to stick it (4).
27 Bird (4).
Yesterday's Solution
DADDY LONG LEGS
1 PAPER, 2 I, 3 E, 4 R, 5 D, 6 C, 7 A, 8 P, 9 B, 10 A, 11 V, 12 E, 13 D, 14 O, 15 L, 16 E, 17 S, 18 K, 19 I, 20 N, 21 D, 22 I, 23 N, 24 G, 25 S, 26 E, 27 M, 28 O, 29 N, 30 T, 31 I, 32 N, 33 G, 34 S, 35 E, 36 T, 37 T, 38 I, 39 N, 40 G, 41 S, 42 E, 43 M, 44 O, 45 N, 46 T, 47 I, 48 N, 49 G, 50 S, 51 E, 52 T, 53 T, 54 I, 55 N, 56 G, 57 S, 58 E, 59 T, 60 T, 61 I, 62 N, 63 G, 64 S, 65 E, 66 M, 67 O, 68 N, 69 T, 70 I, 71 N, 72 G, 73 S, 74 E, 75 T, 76 T, 77 I, 78 N, 79 G, 80 S, 81 E, 82 M, 83 O, 84 N, 85 T, 86 I, 87 N, 88 G, 89 S, 90 E, 91 T, 92 T, 93 I, 94 N, 95 G, 96 S, 97 E, 98 M, 99 O, 100 N, 101 T, 102 I, 103 N, 104 G, 105 S, 106 E, 107 T, 108 T, 109 I, 110 N, 111 G, 112 S, 113 E, 114 M, 115 O, 116 N, 117 T, 118 I, 119 N, 120 G, 121 S, 122 E, 123 M, 124 O, 125 N, 126 T, 127 I, 128 N, 129 G, 130 S, 131 E, 132 M, 133 O, 134 N, 135 T, 136 I, 137 N, 138 G, 139 S, 140 E, 141 M, 142 O, 143 N, 144 T, 145 I, 146 N, 147 G, 148 S, 149 E, 150 T, 151 T, 152 I, 153 N, 154 G, 155 S, 156 E, 157 M, 158 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HANKOW EXODUS

Many Passengers
For Hongkong

Hankow, Dec. 29.
Over 300 refugees will leave at 9 a.m. tomorrow for Hongkong in a train of 13 coaches. Booking opened this morning at the British naval Canteen and by 3 p.m. 305 passengers had been booked, including 120 from Hankow, 82 from Changshu, 137 from Kuling, Klukong and Maching. The latter includes many students of the faculty of the Kuling American School.

Once again the train will present a colourful sight. Flags of many nations will be attached to each wagon. The train comprises six second class coaches, the fare on which is \$30 a person, three third class coaches on which the fare is \$15 each, also a luggage van, dining car, heavy baggage van and service car.

A party of 137 came to Hankow yesterday in the B. and S. vessel Woosung and will remain aboard until the train leaves. The Woosung party includes 56 children, 52 women and 29 men.—Reuter.

WALL STREET REVIVES

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consumers and the Government, and they must be curbed.
Mr. Cummings declared that the existing Anti-Trust Law was inadequate and that additional appropriations were needed to enable the Department of Justice to fight monopolistic practices.—Reuter.

JACKSON HITS OUT

Philadelphia, Dec. 29.

Attacking monopolistic practices, Assistant Attorney-General Jackson, in a speech to-day, accused "Big Business" of going on strike against the Government in an effort to "liquidate the New Deal" and of seizing the current recession as a cudgel to which concessions out of the Government.

Mr. Jackson asserted that the Government's recovery programme had restored profits to business and the only criticism of the New Deal as an economic programme was that it did not do enough to guard recovery from the raids of the monopolist.—Reuter.

IMPROVED SENTIMENT

New York, Dec. 29.

The New York Stock Exchange staged a moderate recovery to-day.

The recovery was partially attributed to short covering, although there was a generally improved sentiment as traders ignored the adverse news.

The Assistant Attorney General's reiteration of complaints against trust manipulation had a bearish influence, but this was offset to some extent by the Secretary of Commerce stating that it is the Government's duty to safeguard the "profit motive."

There was considerably less tax selling, and increased buying appeared late in the session.

Competent observers express the opinion that the public will resume buying in the New Year and will favour armament issues and stocks related thereto, in the belief that the Government is planning further armament expenditures.

The Curb Exchange was moderately active, with prices irregular, while the Bond market was irregularly lower and fairly active, with United States issues lower.—United Press.

DULL MARKET

London, Dec. 29.

In the continued absence of business and the weak overnight Wall Street, a dull tone was imparted to the London Stock Exchange to-day, though there was little actual selling. Some sections finally developed slightly steadier influences.

Commodities, cotton, rubber, copra and base metals were easier in sympathy with the overnight set-back from America.

The French franc weakened on nervous selling caused by to-day's strike in Paris.—Reuter's Special.

NO ARMS ON FRENCH SHIP

Paris, Dec. 29.

The French steamer, Yolande, which was attacked by insurgent warships but rescued by a French cruiser and escorted to a French port, has been searched, as the insurgents allege that she was carrying arms.

Her cargo was discovered to be only tobacco and dry beans.—Reuter.

SHIPS IN WIRELESS COMMUNICATION

The following ships are expected to be in wireless communication with Hongkong radio:—Grener, Sudan, New Orleans, Agapenor, Yalching, Mulnam, Founder, Boston Maru, Minoo Maru, President Coolidge, Houtman, Schamhorst, President Grant, Tama, President Van Buren, Suwa Maru, Nellere, Antenor, Conte Verde, Santos Maru, and Tisareoa.

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Closing Japan Dance Halls

Tokyo, Dec. 30.

Admiral Suetsugu, Japan's new ultra-Nationalist Home Minister, has ordered all dance halls in Japan to close from April next as part of a "crusade to mobilise a national spirit."

Admiral Suetsugu regards dance halls as a "baneful influence on the public mind, a definite threat to good morals, and as a menace to manners which are peculiarly Japan's own."—Reuter.

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STOP PRESS NEWS

HSUCHOW AND HUAIYIN RAIDED

Hsuehchow, Dec. 30.

Hsuehchow, Lienyun Harbour and Huaiyin were raided by Japanese planes yesterday.

Coming from off the coast of Jihchao in Shantung, four Japanese seaplanes appeared over Hsuehchow at 10 a.m. and released more than 10 bombs on the east and north parts of the city, destroying over 20 houses and a passenger coach at the railway station. No casualties resulted.

Under furious Chinese anti-aircraft gun fire they flew away in an easterly direction. One of them was seen to have been hit by a shrapnel, and to wobble along unsteadily.

From Hsuehchow the raiders flew to Lienyun Harbour, where they dropped a number of missiles, damaging the rails and telegraph poles and wires.

In the afternoon four other Japanese planes reconnoitred Huaiyin and dropped several bombs.—Central News.

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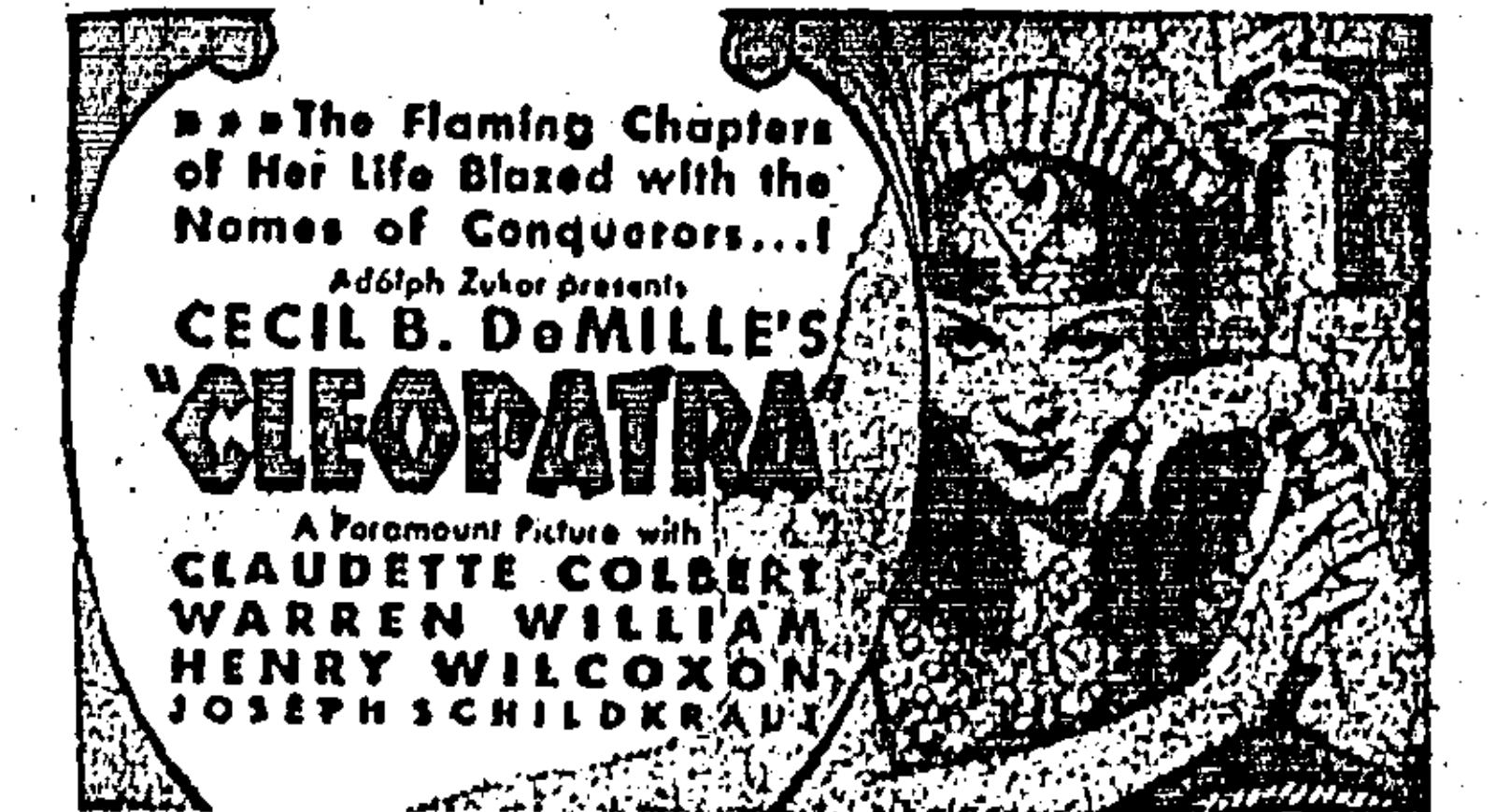
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ISOLATED FARMERS INDIFFERENT TO NATIONAL ISSUES

Travelling Correspondent Tells Remarkable Story Of Interior Conditions

BY SPECIAL TRAVELLING REPRESENTATIVE

I am now on a 1,300 mile trip through the south of Kwangtung province. For weeks I have lived among the natives, lived as they lived, conversed with them in their own tongue, eaten with them with chop sticks around their tables and slept in their houses at night. I have travelled by steamer, junk, sampan; by rickshaw, bus and on foot. I have listened to their ideas about the war hours on end, and to their opinions as to what the foreign nations should do to assist China in this hour of need and distress. I have talked with military men, police commissioners, educators, officers of the Customs and the Salt Office, merchants, students, soldiers, coolies and farmers, both men and women. I have tried to feel as they feel and put myself in their place; see things through Chinese eyes.

On every side I have noticed that the people are preparing to resist the Japanese should they try to land troops anywhere along the southern coast of the province or to start an invasion of the province. In every town and in every village men are training. The government is furnishing instructors and all men between the age of 18 and 40 are required to register and report in the late afternoons for instruction in the art of defence, and they go about it gladly.

I was going down a certain street in a southern town a few nights ago and ran into a group training under a street lamp. A military man was giving instruction to about ten citizens, the oldest was about thirty-five, the youngest were mere school boys about fifteen years of age. A large group watched while the officer put this group through the various exercises. In many sections those under training are using wooden guns, as there are not enough rifles to go around.

Bomb-Proof Shelters

In September Japanese war planes flew over most of the southern cities. A few small bombs were dropped in Pakhoi. This gave the people quite a scare and induced them to build or dig bomb-proof dugouts. In some of these cities I was taken to see the dugouts. Many of them were outside of the city, built into the hillside and were in good shape. But

I was soon to observe that there were not enough shelters to take care of the total population. Many, however, I was given to understand, would flee to the country in the event of an attack. In fact thousands have already gone to the small villages to live with relatives until all danger is past. In spite of the war scare the people remain quiet. It is absolutely amazing how philosophically the majority of the people look upon the war and the dangers attending upon it. While they are making all the preparations possible to protect themselves, yet they are not losing much sleep over it. If it comes to their town, well, it will come—so that is that. The people are calm.

Highway Construction

Highway construction has been pushed throughout the South for a good while now. Ten years ago there were few roads in southern Kwang-

tung that one could drive a car on. In fact there were no cars twelve to fifteen years ago. For some years now, there has been a good road from Pakhoi to Lincchow and from Pakhoi to Nanchow, as well as from Nanchow to Lincchow. Recently, however, the main road from Lincchow to Yanchow, a distance of some seventy-five miles, has been completed and buses are now in operation. It was a difficult task to construct this road as it must cross a mountain range and there are five rivers to cross. The bridges are not yet built, but ferries carry the cars over. In the old days it was a trip of three very hard days' travel from Pakhoi to Yanchow by land, more than likely four days. That trip can now be made in four hours, and when the bridges are built it can be done in three.

The road from Yanchow to Nanchow is now finished, connecting Lincchow and Pakhoi with Nanchow. In the old days, an overland trip from Pakhoi to Nanchow took five or six days' hard going. This trip can now be made in eight hours by car. Buses are running up as far as Shantung, 30 miles north of Yanchow. But there is no regular service from there to Nanchow as yet. Buses will soon be put on this road, however.

One may now travel by bus from Pakhoi to Onpo down to Kwangchow, French territory, on the coast of Kwangtung, and from Pakhoi west to Tungshing, via Lincchow, Yanchow, Fongshing, on the French Indo-China border.

One may travel from Pakhoi to Lincchow, on the Lincchow Peninsula, opposite Hainan, by bus in a few hours; or one may continue direct from Pakhoi to Onpo, Moiluk, Saitung to Kongmoon, where one may board a steamer for Hongkong. The trip costs about half the amount of the steamers running between Pakhoi and Hongkong. It takes about a day less to come up by bus. In fact the fares are very reasonable on all these lines.

At least one thousand miles of highways have been built in recent years in southern Kwangtung.

Plenty Of Food

I find that there is plenty of all kinds of food in this section. The rice crop is one of the best in years. The government is not allowing any exports at all; therefore rice is cheap. There are plenty of pigs; so pork is cheap. There was a big potato crop, so the people are well provided for this winter. Business in the small market towns I observe to be brisk.

Taking advantage of the absence of so many soldiers who have been sent to the front, robbers and bandits have become active. The village of Chong Kong Hau, between Lincchow and Yanchow, was looted recently, some being killed. However police have rounded up eleven of the bandits who are now in prison in Lincchow. Most of the fishing fleet has now been armed to fight the pirates that are again infesting the Gulf of Tungking.

I have just talked with one of the largest merchants in Pakhoi. He is an old friend. This merchant told me that business was quite as good now as it was this time a year ago. This was a great surprise to me since I had supposed that owing to the war scare business had fallen off at least one half. I find that the stocks in most of the stores are low, but discovered that the merchants had stored away much of their stocks in places of

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EXCHANGE RATES

	Dec. 28.	Dec. 29.
Paris.....	147.0/04	147.10/04
Geneva.....	21.02	21.01 1/2
Berlin.....	12.40 1/2	12.40 1/2
Athens.....	547 1/2	547 1/2
Milan.....	95	95
Copenhagen.....	22.40	22.40
Stockholm.....	19.40	19.40
Oslo.....	19.00	19.00
Helsingfors.....	22 1/2	22 1/2
Shanghai.....	1/2 1/2	1/2 1/2
New York.....	4.99 1/2	4.99 1/2
Vienna.....	20 1/2	20 1/2
Amsterdam.....	8.98 3/4	8.98 3/4
Prague.....	142 1/2	142 1/2
Madrid.....	Nom.	Nom.
Lisbon.....	110 1/2	110 1/2
Hongkong.....	1/3	1/3
Bombay.....	1/6 1/2	1/6 1/2
Montreal.....	5.00 1/2	5.00 1/2
Brussels.....	29.45	29.45 1/2
Yokohama.....	1/2	1/2
Belgrade.....	216	216
Montevideo.....	25 1/2	25 1/2
Rio de Janeiro.....	2 1/2	2 1/2
Silver (Spot).....	18 1/2	18 1/2
Silver (Forward).....	18 1/2	18 1/2
War Loan.....	101 1/2	101 1/2

—British Wireless.

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safety, only displaying what they had to have daily.

Ignorant Of The War

This correspondent found that many of the villagers and mountain folk were almost totally ignorant of the war. They had but the foggiest idea as to what it was all about. When talked about it the old farmers simply answered: "We are farmers and we know nothing about the government. The officials come and collect the taxes, and we pay because we should do so." When asked what they would do if the Japanese took the country, they answered simply: "If they come they will collect the taxes. We pay our present officials; if the Japanese come we pay them and go on with our farming, so it does not make much difference who the officials are, whether Japanese or Chinese; in any case we must pay." They have little idea of the national issues now at stake. They can neither read nor write and spend their days with the hoe and the spade and let the world move on its way.

But in the towns we find a different situation. People are interested in what is going on. In the larger towns a small daily paper is issued and is read with great interest. While much of the news is sensational and largely rumour and cannot be relied upon, still it is better than no news at all. Most of these small dailies are run by young men just out of middle school and cannot be expected to be up to par. But they are doing their best for their country.

Salvation Bonds

House to house canvass is now being made in the interest of government finance and the people are being urged to subscribe to the Salvation Bonds. There is a gratifying response and the various towns and counties are meeting their quota. Branches of the Bank of China have been established in all the large towns to facilitate the change-over from local currency to the National Currency. At the present time one Hongkong dollar is worth approximately \$1.50 in the local money of this district.

It is now necessary for foreigners travelling in the interior to have in their possession passports in order. My advice is: "Don't try to get by without it as you will more than likely land in prison and will have no end of trouble."

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SHARE PRICES

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Banks.	
H.K. Banks, \$1,445 b.	
H.K. Banks, (Lon. Reg.), £87 1/2 b.	
Chartered Bank, £12 1/2 n.	
Mercantile Bank, A. and B. £32 1/2 n.	
Insurance.	
Mercantile Bank, C., £15 n.	
East Asia Bank, \$90 n.	
Shipping.	
Canton Ins., \$270 n.	
Union Ins., \$317 n.	
China Underwriters, \$1.50 n.	
H.K. Fire Ins., \$235 n.	
Docks etc.	
Douglas, \$48 1/2 b.	
H.K. Steamboats, \$8.20 b.	
Indo-China (Prof.), \$51 n.	
Indo-China (Debt), \$43 n.	
Shell Bearer, 95 7/8 n.	
Union Waterboats, \$9.30 n.	
H.K. & W. Wharves, \$113 n.	
H.K. & W. Docks, \$28 n.	
Providents (old), \$2 n.	
Providents (new), 30 cts. s.	
New Engineering, \$3 n.	
Shanghai Docks, \$1 n.	
Kailan Mining Adm. 18/6 n.	
Raub, \$7 1/2 b.	
Venz: Goldfield, \$5 n.	
Hongkong Mines 13 cts. s.	
Philippine Mining.	
Antamok, P. 49 n.	
Atok, P. 17 n.	
Baguio Gold, P. 14 1/2 n.	
Benguet Consol., P. 8.80 n.	
Benguet Explor., P. 8.80 n.	
Big Wedge, P. —	
Coco Grove, P. 36 n.	
Consolidated Mines, P. .011 n.	
Democratization, P. 33 1/2 n.	
E. Mindanao, P. —	
Gumaus G'fields, P. —	
Ipo Gold, P. —	
I.X.L., P. 57 n.	
Irogons, P. —	
Masbate Consols., P. —	
Min. Resources, P. —	
Northern Min., P. —	
Paracut Gumaus, P. 16 n.	
Salacut Mining, P. —	
San Maurice, P. 41 n.	
Suyoc Consol., 14 n.	
United Paracut, P. 41 n.	
Landa, Hotels, etc.	
H. and S. Hotels, \$5 s.	
H.K. Lands, \$2 1/2 n.	
H.K. Lands, 4 1/2 Deben, \$100 n.	
Shai Lands, \$1 n.	
Metropolitan Lands, \$1 n.	
Humphries, \$8 1/2 n.	
H.K. Realities, \$4 1/2 s.	
Chinese Estates, \$80 n.	
China Realities, \$1 n.	
China Deben, —	
Public Utilities.	
H.K. Tramways, \$12.80 b.	
Peak Trams (old), \$7 1/2 n.	
Peak Trams (new), \$3 1/2 n.	
Star Ferries, \$80 n.	
Yaumati Ferries (old), \$24 1/2 n.	
China Light (old), \$9.00 b.	
China Light (new), \$4.10 n.	
H.K. Electric, \$50 1/2 n.	
Macao Electric, 10 1/4 n.	
Sandakan Lights, \$14 1/2 n.	
Telephone (old), \$26 n.	
Telephone (new), \$9 n.	
China Buses, \$1 n.	
Singapore Traction, 23/0 n.	
Singapore Pref., 23/- n.	
Industrials.	
Cald: Mack (old), \$1 n.	
Cald: Macg. (Pref.), \$1 n.	
Canton Ice, \$1.70 n.	
Cement, \$12.20 b.	
H.K. Ropes, \$20 n.	
Dairy Farm, \$23 n.	
Watsons, \$4 1/2 n.	
Lanc Crawford, \$8.00 n.	
Sinceres, \$1.75 n.	
Wing On (H.K.), \$40 n.	
Wm. Powells, 75 cts. n.	
Ewo Cottons, \$12 n.	
Shai Cottons (old), \$5.55 n.	
Zong Sings, \$1 n.	
Wing On Textiles, \$1 n.	
Miscellaneous.	
H.K. Entertainments, \$5.20 b.	
Constructions (old), \$1 1/2 b.	
Constructions (new), \$1.10 b.	
Vibro Piling, \$8 n.	
Ch. Govt. 5% 1915 GSBds, 74 1/2 n.	
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 5% prm. n.	
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T.T. Singapore.....	52 1/2
T.T. Japan.....	100 1/2
T.T. India.....	82
T.T. U.S.A.....	30 1/2
T.T. Manila.....	01 1/2
T.T. Batavia.....	55 1/2
T.T. Bangkok.....	140 1/2
T.T. Saigon.....	00 1/2
T.T. France.....	0.10
T.T. Germany.....	70 1/2
T.T. Switzerland.....	133 1/2
T.T. Australia.....	1/0 1/2
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4 m/s L/C London.....	1/3 1/2
4 m/s D/P do.....	1/3 1/2
4 m/s L/c U.S.A.....	31 1/2
4 m/s France.....	9.05
30 d/s India.....	83 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in London.....	4.00 1/2

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BUDGET MUST NOT HINDER U.S. ARMING

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our being attacked or getting into war does not get into entangling alliances in Europe does not exist. It is a posterous to think of Japan effectively attacking the United States, or vice versa.

Senator Key Pittman, however, declared: "I think the greatest defence against war is to make governments afraid to attack you. We can strengthen the Navy with a few hundred millions so that any single nation would be afraid to force us into war."

SPEEDUP PURCHASES

Well-informed quarters here said that some time ago War Department officials were ordered to speed up aircraft purchases, with the result that the Budget Committee was informed that 1,252 machines are now on order. They are of all categories and are being delivered at a rate of two to five per day.

The Government is almost a year ahead of schedule which makes it necessary to complete a programme involving the purchase of 2,320 planes by 1940.

It is stated the Navy and U. S. Marine Corps are keeping pace with the Army expansion.—United Press.

TWO-POWER STANDARD FOR NAVY ENVISAGED

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he said there appeared to be no prospect that the strength of the Pacific fleet could be diminished in view of the Japanese military activities.

In the meantime, the European naval strength has been increased rapidly, the Fascist nations displaying the desire for overseas economic bases rich in raw materials.

Difficult Problem

"The close co-operation of Japan and the Fascist nations renders it problematical whether the United States could defend her eastern coast or interests elsewhere in the Atlantic region simultaneously with major naval operations in the Pacific," said Mr. John Hubbard, the Navy League President. "The full fleet might be required in the Pacific simultaneously with hostilities in the Atlantic. In such an event, the Panama Canal would probably be decommissioned by an overt act of the enemy. This has raised the problem of some permanent protection for the Atlantic seaboard, particularly in the event of European aggression directly against the United States or elsewhere in this hemisphere.

"It is obvious the United States must thus consider the two-power standard."

Mr. Hubbard advocated the early strengthening of the U.S. merchant marine and the construction of a base in the Caribbean Sea as a first step towards adequate defence preparations.—United Press.

U.S. COMMODITY PRICES

LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

New York, Dec. 29.
The following quotations on the New York commodity exchange are issued by Reuters:

New York Cotton	
January	8.11/11
March	8.20/22
May	8.25/24
July	8.31/31
October	8.33/34
December	8.37/37
Spot	8.29

The First Notice Day for January Cotton is Dec. 27 and the Delivery Date Jan. 3.

New York Rubber	
December	14.05/08
January	14.09/07
March	14.10/07
May	14.10/07
July	14.10/07
October	14.10/07
December	14.10/07

The last Notice Day for December Rubber is Dec. 29.

Chicago Wheat	
December	0.91/01
January	0.91/01
March	0.91/01
May	0.91/01
July	0.91/01
October	0.91/01
December	0.91/01

The last Notice Day for December Grains is Dec. 30.

Winnipeg Wheat	
December	1.00/1.00
January	1.00/1.00
March	1.00/1.00
May	1.00/1.00
July	1.00/1.00
October	1.00/1.00
December	1.00/1.00

The last Notice Day for December Winnipeg Wheat is Dec. 31.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

BANK HOLIDAYS.

In accordance with Government Ordinance, the Exchange Banks will be closed for the transactions of public business on Saturday, the 1st January, 1938. (The first week-day in January).
Hongkong, 20th December, 1937.

NOTICE.

The Eastern Extension Australasia and China Telegraph Company, Limited.

Notice is hereby given that the name of the above Company will from the 1st January, 1938, be changed to **CABLE & WIRELESS, LIMITED**, with which is associated the Eastern Extension Australasia & China Telegraph Co., Ltd. (Incorporated in England).

An agreement has been signed between His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, K.C.M.G., and Cable & Wireless, Ltd., for the transfer to the latter company of the fixed station commercial radio communications of the Colony as from January 1st, 1938.

The present Radio Traffic Office will remain in the P. & O. Building, Des Voeux Road, until the end of January, after which the Office will be transferred to the Offices of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Co., Ltd., (hereinafter to be known as Cable & Wireless, Ltd.).

Mobile Station Services (Ships at Sea and Aviation), Broadcasting and certain other services will remain under Government control.

CHINESE FORCES CLAIM KWANGTEH RECAPTURED

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has now entered Tainan city and other units are crossing the Yellow River.

Heavy Damage On Tainan

Heavy damage has been inflicted on Tainan, important station on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway, near famous Taitung Mountain, as a result of repeated Japanese aerial bombing during the last few days.

Tou Mu Kung, one of the well-known temples there, has been demolished by Japanese bombs.

As a precaution against the Japanese southward advance, the Chinese forces have blown up the railway bridge at Chichow, 13 kilometres north of Tainan.—Central News.

Japanese Troops "Mopped Up"

Small batches of Japanese vanguards who ventured to the suburbs of Hsueh, important city in central Anhwei, were discovered and "mopped up" by Chinese forces yesterday.

About 1,000 Japanese reinforcements arrived off Wuhu in warships and landed at Yuchikow and Hsilingshan, two points on the north bank of the Yangtze River opposite Wuhu, another report reveals.—Central News.

Haichow And Huaiyin Raided

Hsuehchow, Dec. 30.
Haichow, Lienyun Harbour and Huaiyin were raided by Japanese planes yesterday.

Coming from off the coast of Jihchow in Shantung, four Japanese seaplanes appeared over Hsuehchow at 10 a.m. and released more than 10 bombs on the east and north parts of the city, destroying over 20 houses and a passenger coach at the railway station. No casualties resulted.

Under furious Chinese anti-aircraft gun fire they flew away in an easterly direction. One of them was seen to have been hit by a shrapnel, and to wobble along unsteadily.

From Hsuehchow the raiders flew to Lienyun Harbour, where they dropped a number of missiles, damaging the rails and telegraph poles and wires.

In the afternoon four other Japanese planes reconnoitred Huaiyin and dropped several bombs.—Central News.

Advance Seems To Be Halted

Hankow, Dec. 30.
Following the capture of Nanking, the Japanese are apparently not making serious attempts to continue the westward advance, according to Chinese reports received yesterday.

On the Hangchow front, where Chinese troops are holding positions on the southern shore of the Chien-tang River, only skirmishes occurred in the past few days. It is not believed in Chinese circles that the Japanese forces will eventually advance towards Kiangsi in order to cut the Chekiang-Kiangsi railway which would precipitate a major conflict, as Chinese troops are massed in great numbers on the Chekiang-Kiangsi border to stem the Japanese advance.

Meanwhile Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek has issued an order strictly forbidding all Government, military and Kuomintang officials to leave their posts without authorization.—Reuter.

G. R. NOTICE.

NON-PAYMENT OF WATER ACCOUNTS.

Excess water and meter rental accounts are posted to the person who signed the Form "G" guaranteeing payment. This person is generally the landlord or his recognized agent.

In many instances inconvenience is caused to tenants by the water supply being disconnected without warning to them, owing to the failure of the guarantor to pay the accounts within the specified period. Tenants are, therefore, advised to make suitable arrangements with their landlords to ensure that all water and meter rental accounts are paid promptly.

Changes of ownership of property should be notified immediately to this Office.

R. M. HENDERSON,

Public Works Department,
Hongkong, 24th December, 1937.

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS
of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 3rd day of January, 1938, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at King's Road, near Quarry Bay, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

SWAN, CULBERTSON & FRITZ LATEST REPORTS

New York, Dec. 29.
S. C. & F. Dow Jones summary of yesterday's markets:

The market to-day shook off the effect of yesterday's adverse news, the recovery being partially attributed to covering by shorts. Some year-end buying was noted, while tax-selling was reduced. The market was also encouraged by a brokers' note to the effect that it was the Government's duty to safeguard the "profit motive". The bearish reiteration by Assistant Attorney-General Jackson of trust manipulation charges had little effect to-day. Coppers and chemicals were upward on the belief that the Government was planning additional armament expenditure. Stocks related to shipbuilding were also encouraged.

Curb stocks were irregular, but moderately active.

Bonds were irregularly lower, with business fairly active. United States Government bonds were also lower.

Wall Street Journal morning comment:

"The Journal" says that General Motors are likely to continue profitable operations in spite of decreased production.

Brokers said that the business picture has become worse in the last two weeks.

Brokers are of the opinion that when the public resumes buying, they are likely to favour armament shares, particularly airplane issues.

The Street is pessimistic with regard to the forthcoming message to Congress by the President.

Dow Jones Averages Dec. 29 Close

30 Industrials	118.03	120.15
30 Rails	23.91	23.18
20 Utilities	15.07	15.08
40 Bonds	92.94	92.50
11 Commodity Index	53.32	52.93

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JUDGMENTS IN SEVERN LEIGH CASE

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ceived a letter in the following terms:

"Sir, After reading the China Mail of September 6, Monday, we do not feel inclined to continue to serve in the Severn Leigh. We feel that we are entitled to either war-zone money or otherwise we can claim to be paid off the ship. We demand one of these two alternatives.

That letter was signed by twenty-six members of the crew, including the respondents.

The master interviewed the representatives of the crew and cabled to the owners for authority to pay additional wages, but that request was refused.

PROSECUTION STARTS

The signatories of the letter were so informed, and on the afternoon of September 9 a statutory entry in the ship's log was made. On September 15 the respondents were prosecuted before the Marine Magistrate for combining to impede the progress of the voyage.

Throughout the period from September 6 to 15 the moderation and reasonableness shown by both the master and the crew is most noteworthy. No members of the crew refused duty and many of them worked overtime. The respondents, however, made it clear that they would not sail in the ship to Hongkong, maintaining that the condition of the voyage had changed by reason of the hostilities between China and Japan, and that such change justified their demand for increased wages to compensate for the increased risks.

Counsel for the appellant has argued that because there has been no declaration of war between China and Japan and because neither the Chinese Navy nor the Chinese Air Force could take effective steps to prevent the shipment of goods to Japan, the respondents had no justification for their action. He conceded, however, that the situation in Chinese waters and on the Chinese coast generally was indistinguishable from that off the coast of Spain.

ADMITTED FACTS

The admitted facts are that at the time when the men made their demand for increased wages hostilities were raging between China and Japan. The Japanese fleet had declared a blockade of all ports over a large part of the coast of China, damage had been sustained by neutral shipping in Chinese waters, and Japanese warships were lying off the coast of South China. China has a small fleet of vessels of war and also possesses an Air Force which according to the newspaper article to which the crew referred in their letter of September 7 intended to attack enemy vessels cruising close to the waters of Hongkong, while there is nothing but the vigilance of the Japanese fleet to prevent China mining the part of the waters off her coast line. In such circumstances it can be said that the respondents were unreasonable in holding that their services in the Severn Leigh, a vessel under charter to a Japanese company and flying that company's house flag, was subject to no risk greater than those incidental to an ordinary commercial voyage in times of peace? In my view the matter is concluded by the decision of the House of Lords in *Palace Shipping Co., Ltd. v. Cairne* (1907) A.C. 386, from which I take two citations from the judgments of Lord James of Hereford and Lord Atkinson.

CITATIONS

(p. 304.) "In determining what amounts to a justification for seamen refusing to proceed to sea, I do not think that they are called upon to prove by positive and legal evidence that there was an actual probability of capture; their decision has to be formed upon such general information as they can obtain at the moment of their decision. Doubtless their decision must not be based on merely arbitrary grounds. Good faith is a necessary element, and such good faith would not exist unless some reasonable grounds for the refusal can be alleged." (p. 300.) "The risk present may be so remote as to leave the character of such a voyage practically unchanged or so proximate and imminent as to entirely change its character. It must be a question of degree to be determined in each case on its own special facts; but it would certainly appear to me that a voyage with a contraband cargo across seas which are admittedly the theatre of war, to a port belonging to one of the belligerents which is itself a naval base, and therefore likely to be the object of such surveillance and attack as the other belligerent is able to direct against it, is *prima facie* not an ordinary commercial voyage of a peaceful nature. It was, however, for an ordinary commercial voyage of a peaceful nature that the crew in this case engaged to serve. And, in my opinion, the burden of rebutting the *prima facie* presumption above mentioned, and establishing that the risk of capture was so remote that the character of the voyage remained practically unchanged from that which the crew supposed it to be when they signed the articles, rested upon the owners of the ship or their agent, the master. I do not think that they or he discharged that burden simply by proving that at the port from which the voyage across the theatre of war was to be undertaken it was the opinion of officials in a position to judge that owing to the crippled condition of the naval forces of that belligerent by whom capture, if it was to take place, was to be apprehended, there was no real risk or danger of capture at all."

QUOTES JUDGMENT

The following passage from the judgment of Lord Atkinson in the *Palace Shipping Company, Limited v. Cairne* (1907) A.C. at page 300, is to the present case. "In my opinion the burden of . . . establishing that the risk of capture was so remote that the character of the voyage remained practically unchanged from that which the crew supposed it to be when they signed the articles, rested upon the owners of the ship or their agent, the master. I do not think that they or he discharged that burden simply by proving that at the port from which the voyage across the theatre of war was to be undertaken it was the opinion of officials in a position to judge that owing to the crippled condition of the naval forces of that belligerent by whom capture, if it was to take place, was to be apprehended, there was no real risk or danger of capture at all."

NO CHALLENGE

The good faith of the respondents has never been challenged. There has been no suggestion that the course they adopted was inspired by any motives other than those which they stated. The onus of satisfying the Court that the risk was so remote as to leave the character of the voyage

practically unchanged is on the master, and in my opinion he has failed to discharge it.

It follows therefore that this appeal fails.

SECOND JUDGMENT

In his judgment, Mr. Justice Fraser said: The facts are briefly that a British ship, the Severn Leigh, under charter with the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, Limited, a Japanese firm, was in Hongkong bound for Hongkong with a cargo of coal to Miki and Wakamatsu in Japan.

On September 6, 1937, before the date on which the ship was due to leave for Hongkong, the crew demanded extra money for war risks or to be paid off.

The ship's articles were dated March 10, 1937. Although clause 10 of the charter party provides that the steamer shall not be ordered to any ports blockaded or where hostilities are being carried on and there is the usual provision that the contract is voidable in case of war in which the ship is involved, there is nothing either in the charter party or the ship's articles which deals with war between other nations or risks consequent on war.

NO WAR DECLARATION

The position is that hostilities have broken out between China and Japan in North China without a formal declaration of war, that Japanese war vessels are on the South China coast, that there have been attacks by the Japanese on railways and Chinese vessels in South China, and that the Canton River has been closed to traffic and in places mined, and that there is a force of Chinese aeroplanes at Canton. An article in the China Mail of September 6 suggested that the Canton air force was about to attack Japanese ships.

There were conversations between the ship's officers and the crew and there was correspondence by cable with the Board of Trade. The men were informed that no war bonus was payable but persisted in their demand. In the event the ship was delayed and a prosecution under section 225 (1) (c) of the Merchant Shipping Act of 1894 was brought in consequence.

One is struck by the moderation which characterises the whole of the proceedings—the reasonable demands of the men and the sympathetic attitude of the master and owners. There has never been any suggestion that the men in refusing to sail were actuated by anything other than their declared motive—to obtain payment for a risk not contemplated by the terms of their original engagement. On the contrary, it may reasonably be deduced from the evidence given that the men were in favour of their case being decided by the National Maritime Board and would have accepted lower terms than those demanded if such terms had been offered.

NEVER DISOBEYED

In the magisterial proceedings it was shown that the men never disobeyed any lawful order and even worked overtime after their demands had been presented. The prosecution was dismissed by the Marine Magistrate on the ground that no direct order to sail was ever given.

On appeal it was argued by Mr. Sheldon, K.C., for the appellant that as China and Japan were not at war and there was no real danger to the ship from Chinese sources the men were bound to complete their contract of service and were not entitled to demand higher pay. With regard to the status of the belligerent parties it was conceded that there is no real difference between the hostilities in these and in Mediterranean waters; the difference, if any, lies in the potential danger to shipping from the combatants.

IT APPEARED FROM THE EVIDENCE THAT

the master "did not consider there was any danger" and the chief officer "did not see any difference in the conditions of voyaging since he signed on," but the chief officer felt that anything might happen in the near future and he would not forget what would happen between here and Japan." The bombing of an American vessel, the President Hoover, in North China waters was referred to in evidence but there was no evidence of any such bombing or other warlike act beyond the examination by Japanese warships taking place in Southern Chinese or Japanese waters.

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judgment of Lord Atkinson in the *Palace Shipping Company, Limited v. Cairne* (1907) A.C. at page 300, is to the present case. "In my opinion the burden of . . . establishing that the risk of capture was so remote that the character of the voyage remained practically unchanged from that which the crew supposed it to be when they signed the articles, rested upon the owners of the ship or their agent, the master. I do not think that they or he discharged that burden simply by proving that at the port from which the voyage across the theatre of war was to be undertaken it was the opinion of officials in a position to judge that owing to the crippled condition of the naval forces of that belligerent by whom capture, if it was to take place, was to be apprehended, there was no real risk or danger of capture at all."

FAILED TO PUT LIGHTS OUT, CHINESE FINED

Because he failed to extinguish 24 lights on advertisement board in Nathan Road near Austin Road on "Black-out Night," December 9, an electrician named Kwok Lum, was fined \$40 by Mr. K. Keen at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court.

Inspector Post said that the switch box had to be broken before the lights, which were all visible from the air, could be extinguished by the police.

SNATCHERS CONTINUE ACTIVITIES

Five months' hard labour and 12 strokes of the cane was the sentence given by Mr. K. Keen at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court to a man named Leung Hong, 31, who was charged with stealing a gold earring from a woman who was walking at Lai-chi-kok Road, near Tong Mei Road, on December 25. For breach of the deportation ordinance Leung, who has been banished from Singapore for life, was further sentenced to three months' hard labour.

Admitting the theft of a gold earring from a married woman who was walking in Boundary Street yesterday a man named Chan Chi, aged 23, unemployed, was also sentenced to

EXPORTS BAROMETER OF FEAR

Flour is providing a good barometer of public feeling in Canton regarding the possibilities of a Japanese invasion.

Exports of flour from Hongkong to the Kwangtung capital have varied in direct ratio to rumours of impending war.

When, a fortnight ago, it appeared certain that the Japanese were about to launch their long-threatened attack on Canton, flour imports from Hongkong ceased entirely.

No flour was shipped from Hongkong for ten days. Chinese purchasers refusing to buy when there were prospects that their stocks would be seized by the Japanese.

Public confidence has apparently been restored this week, for shipmen were again resumed on Monday and have continued daily since then.

Kwangtung buyers, however, are making no forward commitments, and purchases are made on the day-to-day basis.

NAVAL MEN ON TRANSPORT

When the transport *Dorsetshire* arrives here on January 8 with military personnel already published, it will also have on board a Surgeon Lieutenant for H.M.S. Cricket, seven Warrant Officers and 32 ratings.

Five months' hard labour by Mr. Keen. Sub-Inspector Moreton, who prosecuted, mentioned the prevalence of earring snatching incidents in the Shamshuipo district.

DAY BY DAY NEWS IN BRIEF

Mr. A. Hyde-Lay of No. 514 the Peak has reported to the police that some persons attempting to burgle his residence yesterday morning, but they were disturbed and fled.

A scamman named Li Fuk, aged 38, was fined \$400 or six months' hard labour by Mr. K. M. A. Barnett at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court for unlawful possession of 25 tablets of raw opium. Li was arrested at the Kowloon Railway Station on December 28, the opium being found hidden in specially made hollows of his shoes.

The Dollar liner *President Grant* is due in Hongkong late this afternoon with 1,010 sacks of mail, 400 of which are from the President Hoover, wrecked off the southern coast of Formosa. The Grant's mail is largely the late Christmas post from Canada and the United States. She was delayed by calling to pick up the Hoover's mail bags.

Mr. A. Thomson of No. 4 Pump House, Bowen Road, has reported to the police that his residence was broken into by persons who stole jewellery to the value of \$30.

Charged with having kidnapped a child under 14 years of age, a widow named Wong Pun, 31, was this morning remanded for 48 hours by Mr. K. M. A. Barnett at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court. The remand was requested by

U.S. Bombers To Hop To Hawaii

Date Of Flight Advanced

Washington, Dec. 29. The date for a mass flight of United States patrol planes across the Pacific from San Diego to Hawaii has been advanced from February to January 10, subject to weather conditions, it is announced.

The Navy Department gives no explanation of this change of plans, but officials said that a squadron of 12 bombers would probably undertake the flight.—Reuter.

CHANGED NAME MEANS NOTHING TO BRITAIN

London, Dec. 29. An official stated that the British Government was prepared to treat the new Irish Constitution as not affecting a fundamental alteration in the position of the Irish Free State, and added that the Canadian, Australian, New Zealand and South African governments would adopt a similar outlook.

The United Kingdom Government cannot recognise the adoption of the name Eire, or Ireland, as involving any rights to territory or jurisdiction over Northern Ireland.—Reuter.

SPECIAL CHURCH SERVICES

London, Dec. 29. Dublin messages report the holding of Catholic, Jewish and Protestant services there to-day in connection with the inauguration of the Constitution approved by the State Parliament in June last.

Mr. De Valera and other ministers attended a service at the cathedral. The occasion was also marked by military honours and the Chief Justice took the oath as prescribed in the Constitution.—British Wireless.

NO ARMS ON FRENCH SHIP

Paris, Dec. 29. The French steamer, Yolande, which was attacked by insurgent warships but rescued by a French cruiser and escorted to a French port, has been searched, as the insurgents allege that she was carrying arms.

Her cargo was discovered to be only tobacco and dry beans.—Reuter.

NAVAL UNITS PARADE FOR INSPECTION



At Happy Valley to-day the acting Commander-in-Chief of the China Station, Vice-Admiral Crabbe, inspected landing parties from a number of H.M. ships. The march past was of exceptional smartness. Inset—Vice-Admiral Crabbe.—Staff Photo.

FASCIST COUP IN RUMANIA INDICATED

Vienna, Dec. 29. The situation in Rumania began to look more like a Fascist coup to-day when a series of energetic Government measures were announced, together with the cancellation of the recent elections on technical grounds. Consequently it is understood the new Parliament will be formally dissolved shortly.

New measures include the replacement of all provincial administrators by National Christian Party members, the dissolution of all municipal councils, the creation of a Propaganda Ministry, and the formation of an army of 200,000 Storm Troops for which a semi-military organisation, already existing in the National Christian Party, will be expanded.—Reuter.

NEW BRITISH MINISTER

London, Dec. 29. The King has approved the appointment of Mr. William Robert Mackness of His Majesty's Consular Service to be His Majesty's Minister resident at Port Au Prince, succeeding Mr. F. M. Shepherd, who is shortly relinquishing the appointment.—British Wireless.

MAKING TRAVEL SAFER

BRITISH RAILWAYS' NEW DEVICES

London, Dec. 29. The railway companies' programmes for 1938 will include a number of extensions of improvements already carried out to the signalling equipment of parts of their systems, with a view to reducing still further, the risk of human error, and increasing the safety of railway travel.

The substitution of coloured light signals for the semaphore type is one of the principal improvements. On the Great Western line a device invented by members of the staff for automatic train control already in use over a considerable length of routes, will be extended to the whole of the main line routes, amounting to 2,840 miles.—British Wireless.

JAPANESE BOYCOTT EXTENDED

Detroit, Dec. 29. Officials of the important chain store of Kresge announced that they are stopping purchases of Japanese merchandise due to the customers' boycott. It is reported that Woolworths are doing likewise.—United Press.

TROOPS AND NAVY TO END STRIKE

Paris, Dec. 29. The Government has called out Army and Navy units to break the strike movements which are now seriously threatening the whole country, especially the Government production of munitions.—United Press.

NAVAL ARTIFICERS TO THE RESCUE

Brest, Dec. 29. About 100 naval officers and men skilled in engineering and electricity are leaving for Paris to keep the public services running in the face of strikes.—Reuter.

PROMPT MEASURES ADOPTED

Paris, Dec. 29. Troops and naval technicians will to-morrow take over public services unless the strikers yield. Army experts and engineers have been recruited to run the subways and electric and gas plants.

It is estimated that nearly 150,000 workers are striking demanding 100 francs a month "cost of living" indemnity for city employees similar to the present indemnity received by State employees. The strikers also protested the use of military trucks for distributing food while the truck-drivers' strike is still under way.

A Government spokesman denied that the Government was contemplating mobilising the strikers into the army.—United Press.

WORK RESUMED THIS MORNING

Paris, Dec. 29. The strikers will resume work this morning. A delegation of the administrative committee of the General Labour Confederation saw M. Max Dormoy, Minister of the Interior, M. Faure, Minister without portfolio and M. Georges Monnet, Minister for Agriculture early this morning and received sufficient guarantees to enable the joint committee of the Public Service Unions to propose to the delegates of the unions in the Paris region, to resume work immediately.—Reuter.

WINTER SPORTS FOR KING OF SIAM

Berne, Dec. 29. The King of Siam has arrived at Arosa for a winter sports holiday.—Reuter.

RADIO BROADCAST

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9 London Relay—Light Orchestral Music.
9.10 London Relay—Food For Thought.
Three short talks on matters of topical interest.
9.30 London Relay—The News.
9.50 Mozart—Concerto No. 3 in G Major, K.216.
Played by Yehudi Menuhin (Violin) and the Paris Symphony Orchestra conducted by Georges Enesco.
10.15 Mozart Songs.
Der Vogelfänger Bin Ich Ja! (from 'The Magic Flute'); Ein Mädchen Oder Weibchen (from 'The Magic Flute'). Ewald Bohmer (Baritone) and the Berlin State Opera Orchestra.
10.22 Chopin.
Chant Polonais In G Flat Major (Op. 74, No. 5—arr. Liszt)...Moriz Rosenthal (Piano); Polonaise In E Flat...Jose Echaniz (Piano).
10.30 Light Orchestral.
Pezza (Milly); Forget It, And Smile (Bohmelt); Cuban Serenade (Midgley); Mexican Serenade (Kaschubec)...Barnabas Von Gezy and His Orchestra; Immortal Strauss (A Medley of Strauss Waltzes)...Viennese Waltz Orchestra; The Danzack Rose—Selection (Chopin themes, adapted G. H. Clusam)...Court Symphony Orchestra.
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Urges U.S. To Hunt For Peace

Abandon "Confusion And Isolation"

Washington, Dec. 29. Mr. M. O. Reynolds, Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives, broadcast an appeal to-night urging the United States to lead in the search for peace by abandoning its "confusion and isolation."

He said that while Japan's apology ends the Far East incident, it does not end Far Eastern affairs. Apart from the destruction of life and property, there is the equally large question of whether international relations shall be governed by law or violence. The United States must insist upon the sanctity of treaties.

A policy of isolation and withdrawal, while undertaken in the name of peace, is a policy that encourages war, he held.—Reuter.

BRAIN, BRAUN AND WAR

(Continued from Page 6.)

Work of the human mind less romantic when it is expressed in devices to take a man's life cunningly by lethal gas than when it found outlet in the planning of stealthy ways of brainning a man with an axe as he rode unsuspecting through a forest glade?

Even periods of history like the 'Forty-Five Rebellion, which are so dear to the hearts of romantic writers, can be shown to be seamed with the grim influences of coldly calculated destruction containing nothing fair or romantic. For instance, the instructions issued to the Pretender's army for the attempted night attack on Cumberland's forces, the night before Culloden, enjoined the Highlanders to overturn the tents and to strike with their dirks and claymores at the protuberances in the canvas.

Here was a plain example of the human mind working, without reference to the dictates of romance or fairyplay, to devise means where by the enemy might be destroyed without the slightest opportunity—exactly as many minds are working to-day! A half-awakened man getting a dirk between his ribs as he struggled in a cocoon of canvas had about as much opportunity for the exhibition of the "manly qualities" as he would have to-day were he borne down by a tank.

The Same Principle

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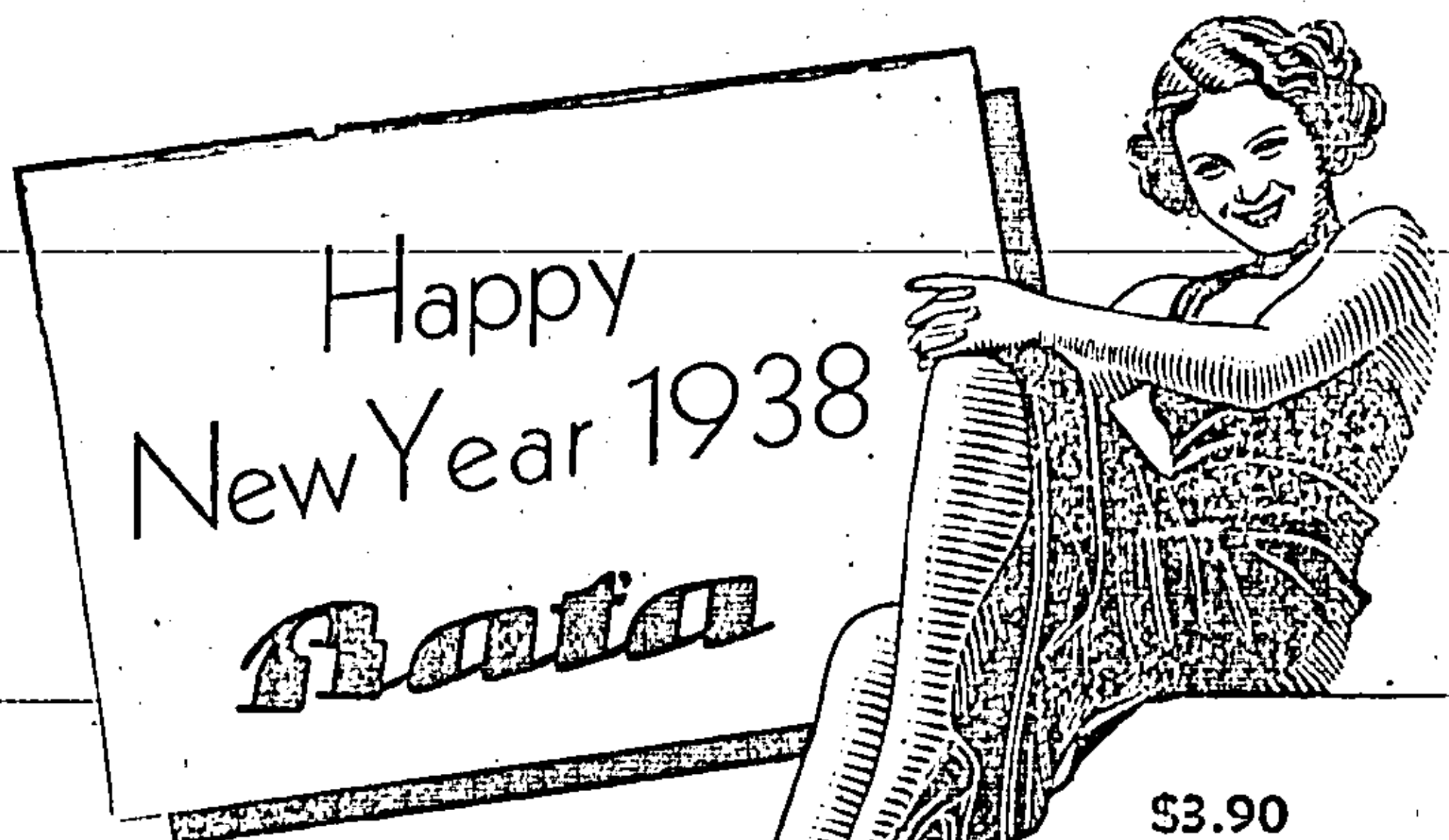
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fronting any problem, and he is not going to be limited in his efforts to achieve dominance by the use of his intellect in the field of war because some romantic and hazy ideas have been spread across the road of logical and natural development of the arts of destruction.

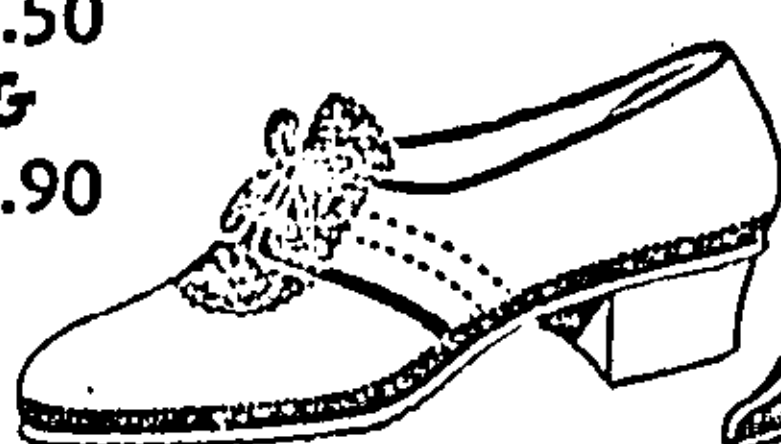
When the first arrow maker or the first armorer expended skill and thought in the fabrication of weapons that would be a little better than any then in existence, he was enunciating unconsciously the conception that brain cannot leave

bravely a clear field in the sphere of violence, he was taking the first step in a process that led naturally and inevitably to poison gas and even germ warfare.

The ugliness of war lies deeper in its nature than appears to some of those people who become so horrified at grisly efficiency of modern appliances. Ingenuity and research have raised the intensity of war and have made some of the colder realities bitterly apparent, but they have altered no fundamental principle. N. W.

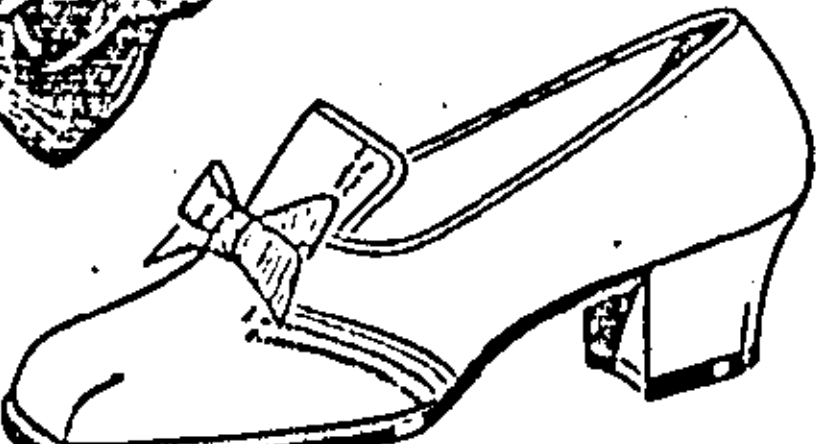


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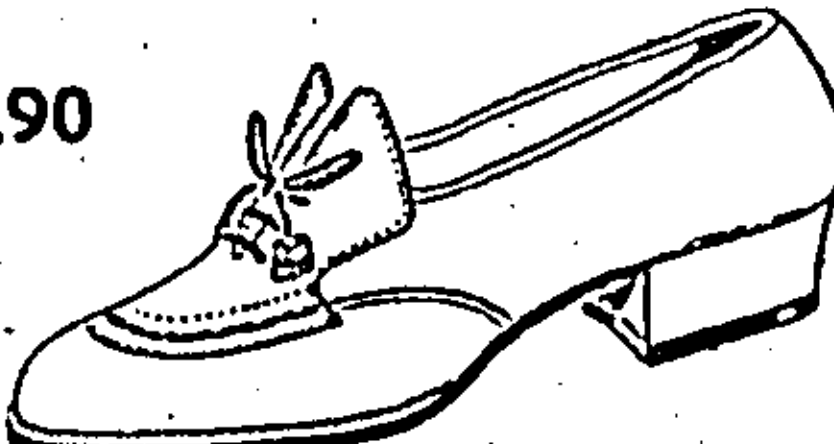
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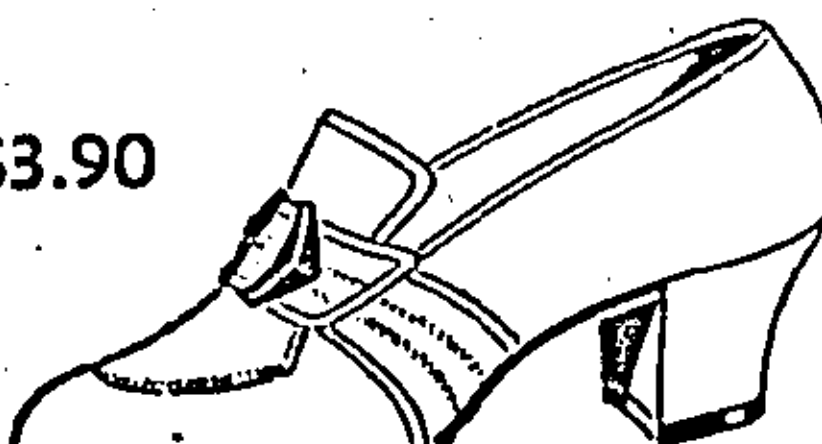
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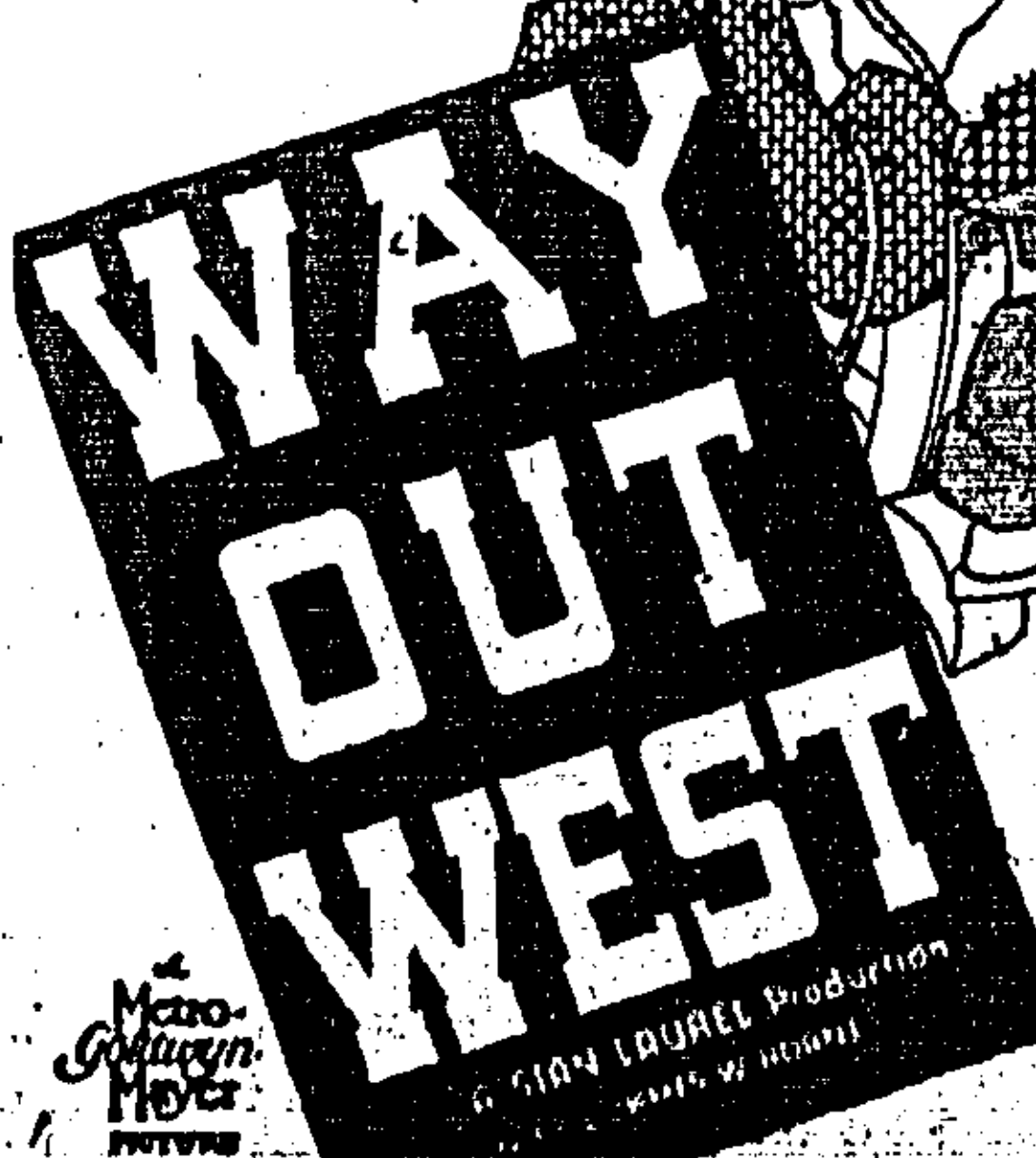
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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1937.

"Preparedness"

President Roosevelt has made it known that he may ask the Appropriations Committee for further funds with which to construct warships. The American naval building plan, as laid down for the 1939 fiscal year, was not sensationally extensive—two battleships, a few cruisers and destroyers. And the developments of the past few months, it may be imagined, have altered the official view of international affairs to a degree which makes further arming advisable. Not that the United States is preparing for war with anyone in particular—President Roosevelt has made that clear. In fact he avoids the word "preparedness," having no desire to admit that there is anyone or anything against which to prepare. It seems rather futile, dodging a phrase or a word like that when the implication in any move to speed re-armament is so obvious.

However, President Roosevelt and his associates have no wish to create mistaken impressions abroad. They have made that clear, too. Americans do not want "peace at any price," a prominent politician said the other day by way of answering the pacifist complaints of those who want to see American nationals, marines and warships withdrawn from the Far East en masse. It seems that the United States is trying to steer a safe and sensible course in the matter of armaments, which, while not alarming to any nation, will at the same time indicate that it is unwise for any foreign force to tamper with American lives and property.

The pacifist element has been vociferous, and it is quite possible that its words, added to the widespread, if fallacious, belief that American isolationism is still the outstanding point of policy, might have caused misunderstanding. Therefore President Roosevelt's announcement that, though he was not seeking "preparedness" he

ARE you one of those people who wake up all merry and bright, whistle on your way to the bath, and spill wisecracks at breakfast?

Or do you feel like something the cat has brought in when you first open your eyes? Perhaps you belong to neither of these groups. You may be one of those people who just wonder, as they stare about them, why they were ever born, thinking, with regret that they are face to face with another damned day.

Personally, I am a Group 1 man. I like the early morning. Not long ago I was staying in a house where most of the other guests were obviously not of my way of thinking. They dragged themselves into the dining-room, looked with disgust at the food, and turned baleful eyes upon me and my plate.

I decided to try to find out if most people feel as I do, or if I am in the minority. So I asked the first three men I met what time of the day they feel at their best: and (if possible) reasons for same. No diagrams required.

THE first person I approached scowled, asked me whether any one who had ever been born felt at his best in the early mornings, then turned his back on me. His reaction was definite enough. (Group 2.) The next was a motor-driver. He said he went to bed at ten

Is It True?

Some of these statements are right, some wrong. Do you know which?

1. Oysters are vegetarians.
2. Mozart did not start learning music until the age of seven.
3. Margarine is made from animal fats.
4. On the average, forty books a day are published in Great Britain.
5. The second highest mountain in the world is Kanchenjunga, in the Himalayas.
6. One of Britain's greatest writers was once a brick-layer.

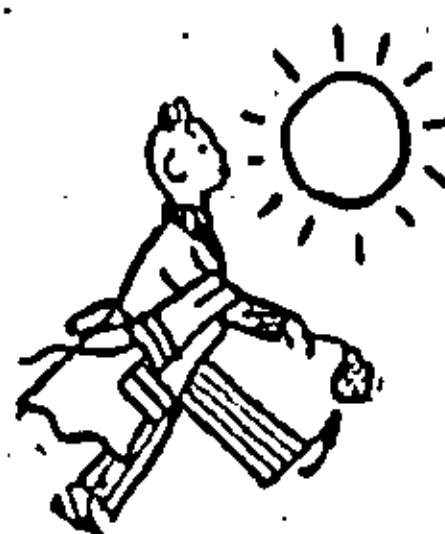
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was prepared to build warships, may be taken as an attempt to correct misconception.

Nor should it be imagined that the American hints of bigger and better fighting ships to come mean for a moment that she is endeavouring to match Britain's naval programme. There will be some suspicious minds which will jump to this conclusion. The fact is that by her actions and her attitude of the past several years the United States has tacitly admitted that parity in that direction is something she does not worry about. It is just as well, however, that President Roosevelt should have made clear at this time that it is not the British building which caused him to consider expansion of the American programme.

Taken literally, the American policy with respect to naval construction seems to be: Everyone else is building, so why shouldn't we? This may not satisfy everybody. It is reasonable that the United States should feel some concern with the state of affairs in the Pacific. She has large interests there, in Hawaii, the Philippines and other islands, to say nothing of investments on the mainland of Asia. These must be protected. And what more natural than that she should wish to be ready to meet any challenge to her interests and rights in any sphere and by any power? Why not admit it?

What time of day do you feel at your best?



OR



and got up at six feeling fine. Bicycled four miles to the garage—pretty nice life except when there was one of those something-or-other fogs.

Did he get tired by the evening? Not he. What did he do to keep himself fit? (Laughter.) Nothing. Did he think it was all the fresh air he got? Might be. (Early morning grouper.)

I hate suspicious people. Usually they have got a guilty conscience. No. 3, having replied firmly that he regarded eleven a.m. as quite early enough for us to discuss, suddenly asked me what I was getting at.

Was I suggesting that he always had a hangover when he woke up? Because, if so, I was a liar—he was a teetotaler. (Group 3.)

Other people I asked were 75 per cent. "best in the evenings"—25 per cent. "early mornings."

THEN there are another lot of people who wake up tired and get going by mid-day. And still others wake up tired and are still tired when it is time to go to bed again.

These people are always tired. They say they were born tired. But there is a cause for it, right enough. First thing for them to do is to recognise that there is something the matter with them.

It is all right to feel tired when you have done something, but it is all wrong to have a good night's rest and wake up more tired than when you went to bed. There are many reasons for chronic fatigue of this kind. But you won't get rid of your own particular variety until you have found out the cause of it.

AND now which group do you belong to? If you are one of those who feel mouldy when you wake up, have you any idea why?

There are two possible reasons:—
(a) Your mind has been working while you sleep and it has taken it out of you.

(b) There is something circulating in your blood which produces fatigue.

Once you have got going—perhaps by lunch time—you feel better. By then, you see, your circulation has recovered its night stagnation.

Ever had a really good snorting nightmare? You know, the kind which haunts you even after you are awake.

At intervals through the next day you wonder if something dreadful is going to happen to you—then you remember with relief that "it was only a dream." Well, if you have, do you remember how tired you felt on waking?

Frightening dreams take it out of you because you have been working in your sleep, i.e., your imagination has been keeping your body on the go.

And you can't work any part of your mind without tiring the cells of your brain. Therefore, nightmare produces one kind of hangover.

EVERYBODY dreams.

Though many people can't tell you what they dreamed about—some don't even know that they have dreamed. What they do know is that they are fagged out on waking. And they blame this or that thing—including their ancestors. (They will tell you that, as a family, they are all tired on waking.)

Frankly, I don't believe it. Of course, some people inherit more fragile nervous systems than others. These are the people who crumple up more easily under stress.

Moral: If their family is like this, more care is required to avoid undue strain. If it is all my-eye, well, all the more reason for the sufferers to find out why they are not as fit as they should be.

BUT supposing it is not their mind which makes them bad wakers? What is likely to have gone wrong with their bodies?

Ever been to a matinee and come out with a headache? Or had a bilious attack? And with it have you had a headache, or haven't you? The answer is "Yes."

Well, in both these cases you feel like the morning after, don't you? Of course you do.

Because the causes are the same. Bad blood.

In the first case, bad air causing bad blood; in the second, bad digestion. And, see here, neither you nor I can afford to be poisoned.

If we are, we lie all night in a stupor (not not alcohol—our own pet poisons)—and wake up with a head we have not deserved.

Now it takes some folk pretty nearly the whole day to work this off. Luckier ones are themselves by noon.

IF you want to feel fit on waking, don't make up your mind to be careful for twenty-four hours only. No one but a bone-head believes he can alter his body in that time.

Follow this scheme out for a whole month and note results. And if you are not 100 per cent. better by Christmas, well, perhaps I will eat some one's hat.

It is mostly don'ts:—

Don't fill your lungs with bad air or tobacco smoke immediately before going to bed (go outside and breathe deeply for five minutes—better still, go for a walk and when you come in drink a glass of cold water).

Don't eat late at night.

Don't sleep in a hot bedroom.

Don't have too many or too heavy bedclothes on your bed.

By the way, do you drink cold water when you wake up? If you don't, you should.

What makes the 25 per cent. wake up fresh? Because they are not poisoned—neither do they worry in their sleep (i.e., nightmare).

My friend the motor-driver, when pressed, gave his bicycle-ride the credit for his magnificent early morning feeling. And is he cheerful all day? He is.

Anthony
Weymouth

Was It True?

(See foot of Column four.)

1. Right. They fed on the wear and tear of seaweed and sea-grass.
2. Wrong. He played before the Emperor when he was six years old.
3. Wrong. Usually from coconut oil.
4. Right.
5. Wrong. Mount Godwin-Austen, also in the Himalayas, is 100ft. higher.
6. Right. Ben Jonson.

BRAIN, BRAWN and WAR

WE live to-day in such a continual atmosphere of intensive discussion of all matters relating to war that it might well be assumed that we had attained a sound and logical understanding of most of the main implications of this important factor in the history of the race.

Yet a glance at the writings of even some ardent pacifists reveals that some of the simplest lessons have not yet been grasped. Thus, if M. Tomlinson, when he deplores the use of poison gas in warfare, might be taken as representative of that numerous class who seem somehow to think that the incidence of such devices has made war infinitely more brutal and disgusting. "Civility has gone and cannot be revived," declares M. Tomlinson in "Mars His Idol." "St. George himself in a gas attack would choke himself to death without sighting the dragon. Saladin charging a tank becomes a suicidal fool."

This sort of view is all rather very surprising. But it can quite readily be seen to rest on the tenaciously held, if vaguely thought out, theory that somewhere in the past victory fell in some romantic fashion to some nebulous qualities called "the manly virtues."

The Decisive Factor

But what is the real and supreme "manly quality"—the quality that has raised man above the beasts? The power to think.

That quality counted in war away back in the morning of time, counted in all the wars of the past and in all the most romantic episodes of history. What we are witnessing to-day in the evolution of awesome

armies of tanks, clouds of aeroplanes and ever more deadly forms of gas is the consummation of that long process of effort by which the human brain has sought to dominate the field of destruction as it has dominated other fields of human activity.

For in war success has never come through possession of those "manly qualities," but through the control of a greater range of the forces of destruction. The Romans did not carry their conquering eagles into the realms of their enemies because they were stronger or braver men than the barbarians. The deciding factors were better arms, discipline, superior tactics and the science of fortification—all the products of the human intelligence.

The Romans were victorious as they brought a power of order and thought to the task of laying their foes. That is to say, they used their brains to devise methods of combat which would involve situations where the skill and strength of the barbarians would be of little avail.

An Old Story

To bring the maximum factor of unfairness to bear on the enemy, to manoeuvre him into positions where his finest qualities will count for nothing and to crush him by expedients that leave him the minimum chance to reply, is the end and meaning of the military art.

Even in the most romantic days in history war never was a testing ground, unsport by invention and mechanism, for the manly virtues. St. George need not have waited for the twelfth century to choke himself to death without sighting the

enemy. The age that produced the knights produced the castle, and in attacking castles knights were liable to meet extinction in the form of a deluge of molten lead, lime or Greek Fire, and to pass from life with as little chance of showing their knightly qualities as if they had been caught in a cloud of mustard gas.

But was the warfare in which the knights engaged really so romantic at all? The knights went shrouded in shining armour not because this was a romantic garb, but because in this way they were getting all the advantages the metallurgical science of that day could devise to aid man's task of destroying his fellows.

These armoured knights would ride down the lightly armed infantry, break their ranks, and slaughter them at leisure, till the development of archery, putting the necessary factor of unfairness on the other side, and allow the foot men to shoot down the knights before they had a chance to use their expedients of the military art in the days of the past look very stirring and romantic till we examine them more closely. A "flank attack" depends for its success on bringing an overpowering irruption of men on an exposed wing of the enemy's organisation.

Taken in the Rear

To "take the enemy in the rear" means to seek to shoot in the back a crowd of men heavily engaged in front. An ambushade has its main value in the opportunities it allows of killing numbers of the enemy before they have even the time to put a hand to their weapons. Is the

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SINGAPORE BASE PLANNED IN 1909

PACIFIC NAVAL DEFENCE SCHEME

With news that the Singapore Naval Base may be "officially opened" in the near future, it is recalled that as far back as 1909 the possible use of Singapore as a "great naval centre" was envisaged by an Indian staff officer in a speech to the Central Asian Society on "India in Imperial Defence."

The speaker, a Captain Macaulay suggested that India should "take over the defence of Colombo and Singapore and have the forces there included in the Indian defence system."

The East India and China Squadrons should, he said, be incorporated in one fleet with headquarters in Singapore, and India should take over the maintenance of the India and China Fleet units.

World Strategy Upset By Rise Of Japan

Captain Macaulay's reasons for making India a great sea power were that the "rise of Japan as a great world power had altered world strategy and had a disturbing effect on Asia."

The development of Japan, he said, might be regarded as a present day manifestation of an acute symptom, of the development of the Pacific, and no part of the British Empire or the world "has a greater interest in the development of the Pacific than India."

When Singaporeans of the day were avidly discussing these "remarkable suggestions," a quantity worded prediction appearing in the Straits Times of Mar. 23, 1907, on the new harbour works proceeding in Singapore was recalled. It read:

"And it came to pass in the days when John the Son of Andrew, was Governor of the City of the Lion, that there was much wailing and gnashing of teeth among the people of the City of the Lion, forasmuch as Caesar had decided to spend many shekels of silver in improvements of the waterways of the City."

"And the people of the City of the Lion thought that no good would arise by spending so many shekels of silver, inasmuch as the people were not wealthy, and would therefore be compelled to borrow from the lenders of money."

"And the people of the City of the Lion were very wroth with John the Son of Andrew and his Counsellors, and they appealed unto Caesar."

"But Caesar listened not unto their prayer, and there came up unto the City of the Lion many overseers and ships laden with cargoes of wood and stone, and workmen skilled in the art of building walls to keep back the sea and in the building of docks."

"And after many days there came to the City of the Lion a Prophet from a far country, and the people communed with him and told him of these things."

"And the Prophet spake unto the people of the City of the Lion, ye are very foolish! Verily the mind of the multitude is as narrow as the eyelids of the people of far Cathay, and with their eyes they see not."

"Oh people of the City of Lion! Can ye not see the Signs of the Times?"

"Are not the Kings of the Earth striving after Peace among all Peoples? Do they not desire to reduce the Hosts and the Ships of War of all Nations, so that Times of Peace and Plenty may fall upon the people?"

"Do not the ships of war of Caesar meet in the harbour of the City of the Lion once every year? Is not the Harbour of the City a safe refuge for all the ships of war of Caesar, nay for all the Navies of the World?"

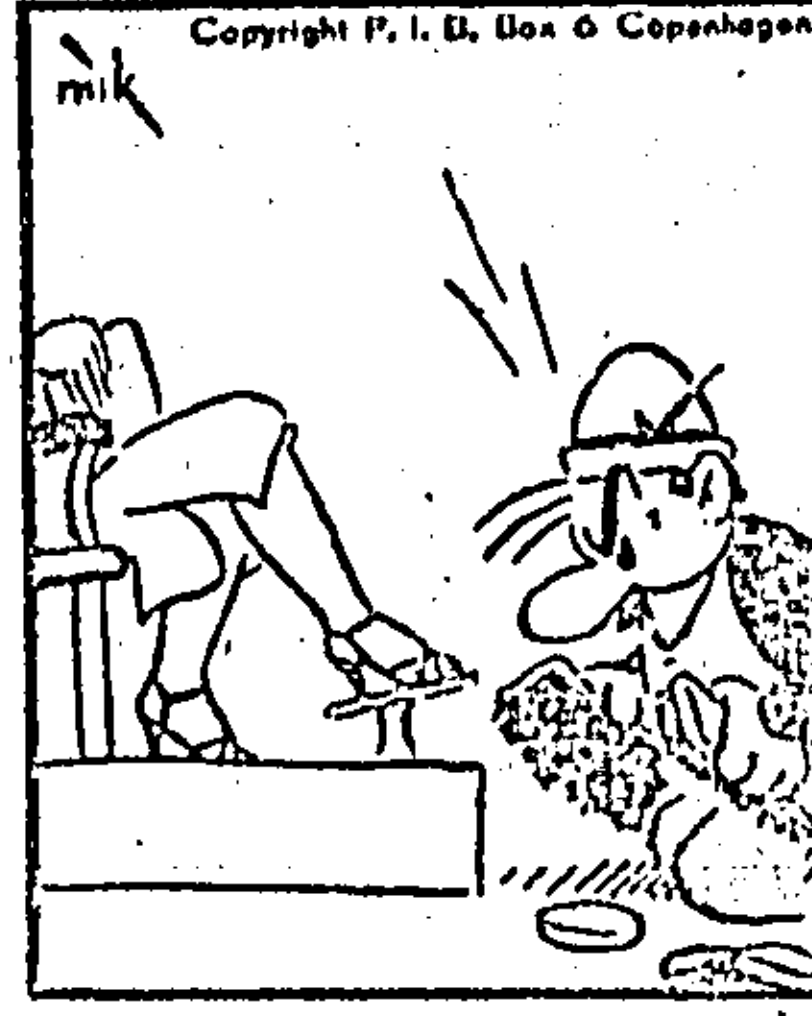
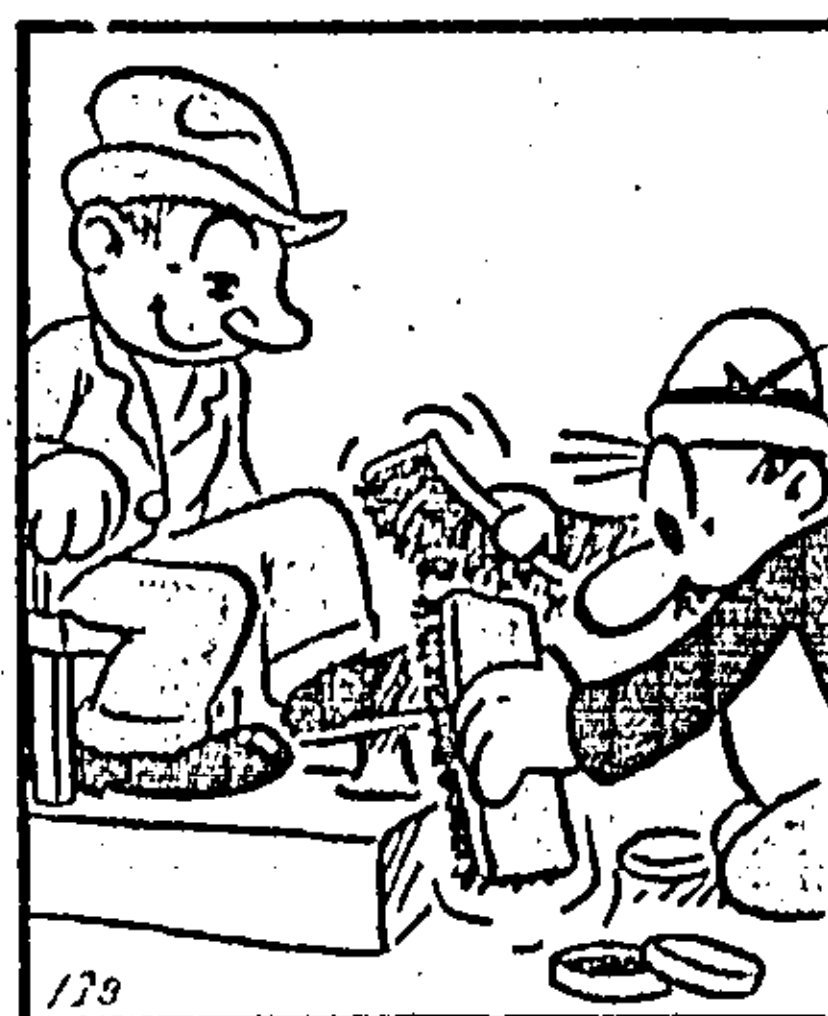
"Does the earth shake in the City of the Lion? Does the sea rise or the mighty winds blow in the Harbour of the City of the Lion?"

"Is the Harbour of the City of the Lion like unto the Harbours of Hongkong and other cities where the sea rises and the mighty winds blow and destruction is spread among the Ships of War?"

"Verily I say unto you, the time will come when the Ships of War from the East and Ships of War from the West will leave the Harbours of the City of Hongkong and other Cities and will gather themselves together in the Harbour of the City of the Lion?"

"Oh, ye foolish People, leave unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's, with the wisdom of the multitude is like wine unto water. I have spoken. The Pagan."

Ferdinand



He Wished She'd Leg It

ACTRESS CALLS VISCOUNT "A SCOUNDREL"

RISING from her seat in the witness box at Westminster County Court, Miss Adele Royle, actress and mannequin, of Albany Street, Regent's Park, shouted to Viscount Kingsborough:

"You are a scoundrel. You know you are. I will kill you." Miss Royle, who was sued by Maple and Company for £29 12s. 8d., sobbed during her evidence, and twice the Court was adjourned so that she could recover.

Viscount Kingsborough, son and heir of the Earl of Kingston, was joined as third party by Miss Royle, who claimed to be "indemnified against the whole of plaintiffs claim and costs."

MISS ROYLE TO PAY

Mr. Tudor Jones, for Miss Royle, said that so far as the amount of the claim was concerned he did not dispute it.

Judge Sir Mordaunt Snares gave judgment for Maples with costs against Miss Royle and judgment for Lord Kingsborough with costs against Miss Royle.

The Judge said that as between plaintiff and defendant there was considerable conflict of evidence, but he had decided to accept the evidence on behalf of Maples that at no time was the name of Lord Kingsborough mentioned.

Regarding the third party he had reached a conclusion that in the circumstances the evidence of Lord Kingsborough must be accepted as the more reliable and truthful account.

"HE LEFT ME"

When the case opened Mr. G. G. Baker, for Messrs. Maple, read from

They're Real Cooks In The Army Now

The days of the old "come-and-get-it," "take-it-or-leave-it" cooking in the British Army are no more, it is one to believe. Intest reports from England. Whether the British "tommy's" concur in these views is another matter.

According to the Aldershot correspondent of the London Times, the importance of good cooking is daily recognized in the Army of today, and there has been a noteworthy improvement in cookhouse standards in recent years.

The Judges at the finals of this year's Army cookery competitions, held recently at the Army School of Cookery, were of opinion that the work of the contestants was better than ever before. The past-time cooks of the Territorial Army, for whom there was a separate competition, showed a similar advance on last year's performance and proved that men who in daily life are labourers, miners, hod-carriers, or boiler-men—all of which trades were represented in the teams—can turn out a well-cooked and appetizing meal for their comrades.

The Secretary of State for War, Mr. Horre-Bellish, went to Aldershot to present the prizes and to demonstrate that the War Office, even to the very top, is alive to the value of the service performed by the school through its courses for company cooks, sergeant cooks, and advanced training of cooks under instruction for officers' and sergeants' messes. Approximately 80 officers and other ranks pass through the school every year.

The school is also the experimental centre for Army catering in all its aspects, and among the most interesting demonstrations which Mr. Horre-Bellish saw were those showing how the soldier's food is cooked in the field and on the route.

The travelling kitchens used in the Great War have disappeared, and nowadays no attempt is made to cook on the march. The apparatus which has replaced them uses petrol as fuel, petrol being among the normal stores of most units of the new mechanized Army. There are portable cookers of various sizes to serve detachments ranging from a handful of men up to large units, this making even the smallest detachment self-sufficient.

GERMAN BIRTH RATE FALLS

18,000 Suicides A Year

Berlin.

There were 18,422 suicides, including 5,514 women, in Germany in 1935—379 more than the previous year, but nearly 3,000 more than in 1913.

Executions numbered 86, as against 152 in 1934.

Divorces in 1936 increased by 553 to 50,337, and illegitimate births by 2,904 to 104,000. Total births declined by 88,123 to 1,110,130.

Doyle So Near Yet So Farr—

When Tommy Farr, British and Empire heavyweight boxing champion, was informed recently that a syndicate was negotiating for a fight between him and Jack Doyle, the Irish singer, he said:

"Why should Doyle, of all people, have this plum in British boxing—a title fight with me for a purse of £15,000—when there are dozens of other men who have prior rights?"

"If Doyle wants a contest with me let him first accredit himself with the British boxing public by going through an eliminating series."

Doyle said: "I am a great admirer of what Farr has done, but I think the title is there for the taking if I can get into the ring with him."

SPECIAL EMPIRE CABLES

102 MORE 'PLANES FOR CANADA

Montreal, Dec. 13.—Canada is to provide her Air Force with 102 more planes in the present fiscal year.

Mr. MacKenzie, Minister of Defence, stated: "To fortify our defence we feel it our duty to make changes, and I ask for your support until the reorganisation is complete. With the idealism of the Empire in view, we are looking to the future."

On Sept. 1, 1936, the number of machines in the Canadian Air Force was 185.

Social Credit Trial.—Mr. J. M. Unwin, Social Credit member of the Alberta Legislature, was today sentenced by Mr. Justice Ives to three months' hard labour following his conviction on two charges of defamatory libel. The sentence will be served at Fort Saskatchewan.

The charges arose out of a Social Credit pamphlet referring to Senator Griestbach and eight other Alberta business men as "bankers' toadies."

IMPERIAL AIRWAYS PLANS

Bombay. It is reported from Karachi that Imperial Airways is likely to move its Eastern headquarters from there to Calcutta, with a view to making Calcutta the terminus next year when machines will be put into service.

The proposal is still under consideration. It would entail the removal of the entire office, except the traffic department, and possibly the shifting of the workshops.

Insurance For All.—The Government of Bombay has prepared a scheme for insurance against illness and provision for retirement, old age and death. It is recognized that such provision might be the best counter-move to the growing spirit of industrial unrest, but commercial bodies doubt the ability of some of the young industries to pay what would be necessary.

The Sugar Convention.—It is understood that the Government of India intends to ratify the International Sugar Convention, regulating the production and marketing of sugar. It will disregard the adverse vote on Sept. 27 of the Legislative Assembly on the ground that ratification will best serve the interests of all.

Timber Stealing.—Local authorities are concerned at the number of raids by aboriginal peasants on forest produce on the Parasnath Hills in Bihar. The area is patrolled by the police, but nevertheless considerable cutting of timber is taking place. Several arrests have been made.

QUEENSLAND CRIME

Brisbane. Queensland claims that it has less crime in proportion to its population than any other State in Australia. The State has six prisons with accommodation for 638 prisoners. At the moment there are fewer than 300 in them.—B. U. P.

RADIO BROADCAST

"Food for Thought" And Other London Relays

THE CHILDREN'S HOUR Radio Programme Broadcast by Z.B.W. on Frequencies of 845 k.c.s. 0.52 m.c.s. per second.

H.K.T. 12-12.20 p.m. Relay of Special Service from St. John's Cathedral. 12.30 Deethoven—Sonata in A Major For Piano, Op. 110. Played by Wilhelm Kempff.

12.50 Songs by Tauber (Tenor). 1. Know Of Two Bright Eyes (Clutsam); Somewhere A Voice Is Calling (Newton-Tate); Let Me Awaken Your Heart (Him 'Heart's Desire').

1. Time and Weather. 1.03 Albert Sandler and His Orchestra.

Little Love, A Little Kiss (Sileau); Because (d'Harcourt); Gipsy, Sing For Me (Melsel); Heartless (Melsel); I Want Your Heart (Haydn Wood); Masquerade (Loeb); Adoree (West); Love Everlasting (Prin); Tell Me To-night (Spillansky).

3.30 Reuter and Rugby Press; Weather and Announcements. 1.40 Charlie Kunz (Piano) and Turner Layton (Vocal and Piano).

Piano Medley Of Strauss Waltzes ... Charlie Kunz; I'm A Fool For Lovin' You (Lewis and Wendling); A Revoir (Gibbert); If I Should Lose You (film 'Rose of the Rancho') ... Turner Layton; Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. 4 ... Charlie Kunz.

2. Band Music. "Semiramis"—Overture (Rossini) ... Crestone Band; La Source Ballet (H.M. Winterbottom) ... The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.

2.15 Close Down. 8.05-11 Chinese Programme. 5. Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.

1. Have you got any castles; 2. Moonlight on the Campus; 3. You got something; 4. Ole King Cole. 5.15 Interval of recorded dance music from Z.B.W.

5.20 5. I've got my heart set on you; 6. Swing is here to stay; 7. Make a Wish; 8. Big Apple. 5.55 Interval of recorded dance music from Z.B.W.

5.45 9. Lull in my life; 10. Wake up and live; 11. Swell of you; 12. Riffin' at the Ritz. 6. Studio—Children's Hour.

7. Sea Shanties. Storm Along; Roll The Wood-Pile Down (arr. Harris); Nous Irons A Valparaiso (Pares and van Parys); Selucamun Sta Lampa (arr. Favara); Blow The Man Down; Tom's Gone To Hills (arr. Terry); John Goss (Baritone) and the Cathedral Male Voice Quartet.

7.10 London Palladium Orchestra. "London Again" Suite (Eric Coates); (a) Oxford Street; (b) Langham Place; The Druid's Prayer—Waltz (Davron); Dreaming—Waltz (Joyce); The Valley Of The Poppies (Ancliffe); A Birthday Serenade (Lincke).

7.30 London Relay—Sportsmen Talking; P. G. H. Fender and 'Patsy' Henderson.

7.45 Carroll Gibbons (Piano) and His Boy Friends. "Breakin' In A Pair Of Shoes (Step); Sugar Rose (Waller); Tomorrow Is Another Day (film 'A Day at the Races'); A Couple Of April Fools (Kennedy and Carr); If You Love Me (Ray Noble).

8. Time, Weather and Announcements. 8.05 Chinese Programme—Studio Concert.

8.05-11 p.m. European Programme from Z.E.K. On a Frequency of 640 Kilocycles.

8.05 Variety. Orchestra—Nights At The Ballet, No. 3 ... Symphony Orchestra; Vocal—To-day Is The Day (Schutz-Buch); Wine Waltz (Gross-Steldl) ... Herbert E. Groh (Tenor); Comedian—Let's All Have A Charabanc Ride; I Never Thought That She'd Do That To Me (Miller) ... Max Miller; Vocal—A Little Co-operation From You (from 'Going Greek'); You're Here, You're There (Loeb-Kahli) ... Judy Shirley.

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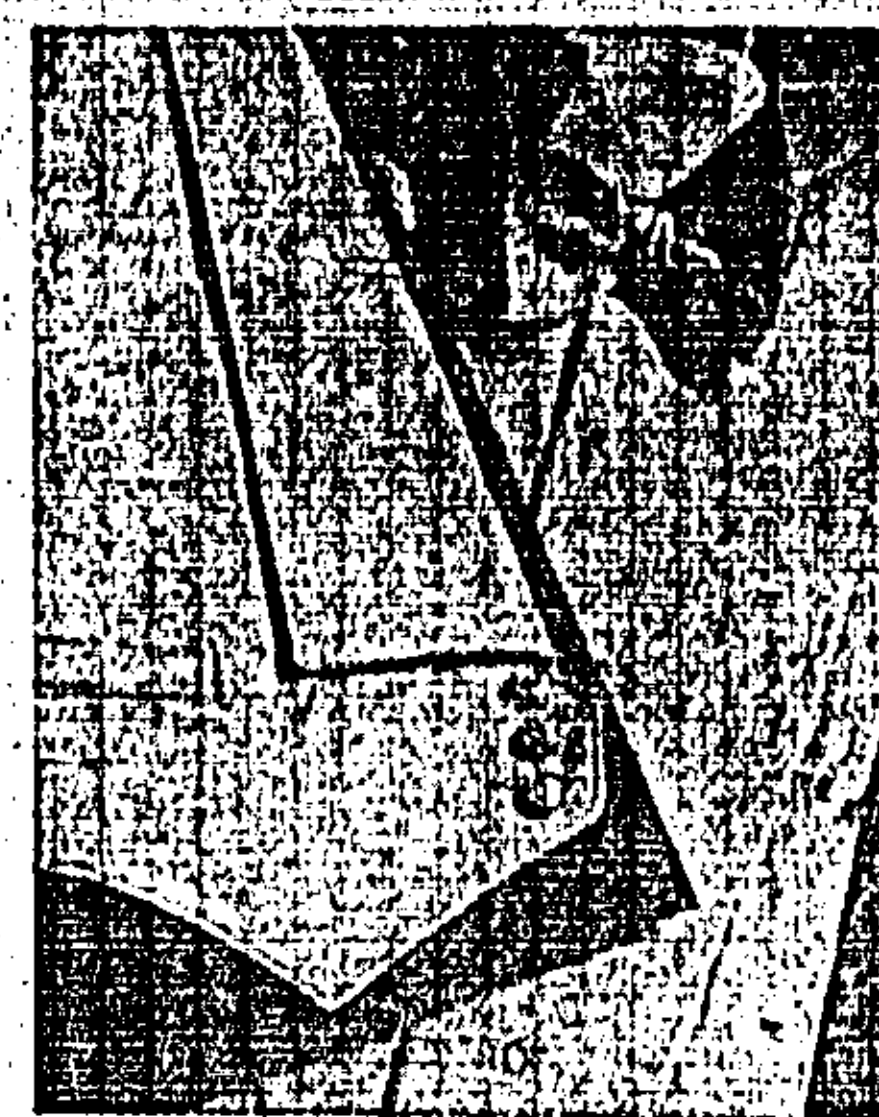
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Weekly Hockey Notes By "The Pilgrim"



J. Wall, Police inside left, who has neglected hockey for football this of the most improved lady players in the Colony.



Miss P. Goncalves, of Recreo, one of the most improved lady players in the Colony.

Donoghue's Wrong Choice For Last Race

CHANGED HIS MIND

Manchester, Nov. 27. Steve Donoghue, winner of six Derby races, most magnetic personality of the English Turf since the days of the great Fred Archer, rode his last four races at Manchester to-day—without a winner.

He was to have ridden Pegomas in the final race of the day, but his desire to make his last public ride a winning one for the Earl of Derby made him change over to Highlander.

Once again the "glorious uncertainty" of the Turf intervened. Pegomas won. Highlander was third.

Smiling grimly, Steve handed in his saddle for the last time, and not all the warmth of handshakes and kisses could atone for his gallant disappointment.

GOT AN IDEA

Describing how he changed his mount, Steve said: "I got an idea in the Turkish baths this morning that I would like to win my last race for Lord Derby."

"I discussed it with Perryman, who was to have ridden Highlander, and he said instantly and generously that he would stand down for me."

"I saw Lord Derby on the course just before the race. He said he was delighted."

"Highlander was a good horse and I thought he would win. I am very disappointed."

Spectators had laid odds on Highlander (also said to be taking part in his last race).

One fortunate punter yesterday landed the "double" (Solitaire and Wheel of Joy) and scooped the pool—£4,070 15s. for a 10s. ticket.

She was Mrs. G. E. Hunter, of Newby, Elmfield Park, Gosforth, daughter-in-law of the late Sir

Kilmarnock Lose 3-0 To Hibernian

London, Dec. 29.

Playing in the first division of the Scottish Football League to-day, Kilmarnock disappointed their own supporters by losing at home to Hibernian, conceding three goals without reply.—Reuter.

SYDNEY TENNIS RESULTS

Sydney, Dec. 29.

In the international tennis tournament to-day, A. Gust (Australia) beat H. Henkel (Germany) 6-2, 6-4, 6-2.

G. von Cramm (Germany) defeated J. Bromwich (Australia) 6-2, 7-5, 6-1. Australia leads three matches to one.

In an exhibition game Donald Budge (American) beat J. Crawford (Australia) 7-5, 6-1, 6-1.—Reuter Bulletin.

George B. Hunter, the famous ship-broker, The win represented odds of 9.35 to 1.

Mrs. Hunter placed her bet at the Newcastle office of a famous firm of bookmakers. Solitaire won at 25 to 1 and Wheel of Joy at 35 to 1.

The two were the winning horses in the Tote daily double, and as the firm pays full totalisator odds, they sent Mrs. Hunter a cheque for £4,070 15s. 3d.

Sir George Hunter was a great opponent of all kind of gambling, an advocate of temperance and a non-smoker. In his will he made a number of bequests to churches, missions and temperance societies.

Mr. G. E. Hunter is engineer with the firm of Swin, Hunter and Wigham Richardson, of which his father was chairman for many years.

SOME CONSTRUCTIVE HINTS TO UMPIRES

FIRMNESS IN DECISIONS NEEDED

WATCH YOUR POSITION ON THE FIELD

FULLY aware that my criticism of umpiring in local hockey, contained in last week's notes, might with some justification be stigmatised as carping, I am endeavouring to augment those observations this week with something of a constructive nature. I will not pretend that by embracing either in part or wholly the following suggestions, a bad umpire will become a good umpire as though a magic wand had been waved over his head, but many of our hockey officials who find difficulty in handling games, may discover something in the appended notes to give them assistance.

One of the most essential things umpires should remember is the need for co-operation between themselves. It is most desirable that an arrangement be reached before a match starts between the umpires in the matter of giving decisions. It is usual to agree that decisions between the touchline and the seven yards line should be given by the umpire responsible for that particular touchline. This especially applies when a decision is called for obstruction and tackling from the left. Neither should umpires allow themselves to be hide-bound. For example when one umpire is unsighted in his part of the field, and his colleague sure that, but that this, a decision would have been given, the penalty should be enforced by the umpire who could see the offence. On the other hand, if there was no doubt that the umpire who should have given the decision had a clear vision of what happened and still did not award a penalty, his colleague should not interfere. The golden rule is never to give a decision in your fellow-umpire's half except close to your touch line.

THE FIRST 10 MINUTES From an umpiring point of view, the first ten minutes of a game are often the most important. Quick and decisive verdicts at this time puts the game into the official's hands, especially if the players are inclined to wild hitting and body play, or if the two teams are not particularly friendly. The way the players tackle, and more especially the manner in which they hook sticks will soon give a clue as to the spirit in which the game will be played unless the umpire is ready to put a stop to it in the early stages.

Such players should be penalised forthwith, and a little good-tempered firmness at the beginning of what looks likely to develop into a rough game will save the umpire a great deal of trouble. The umpire has the situation well in hand.

This does not apply so much in good class hockey, where first-class players know from experience that only first-class methods will win matches, but in junior games, in which there is often a tendency to rough play, "barging" and wild hitting, sometimes due to lack of experience, sometimes to sheer ignorance, and sometimes to rank bad sportsmanship. It is then that the umpire must realise that he has the duty of umpire and, tutor, inasmuch as he should explain, when possible, what the player was doing wrong.

Having penalised a player, it is advisable to tell him why, and after the game, if necessary, show him his mistake. If an umpire points out the reason for his penalty decision the player who wants to learn will be grateful.

In senior games one is not an instructor but a judge, and once having awarded a penalty, merely state what it was for. It is also a good plan to indicate the direction of the free hit by moving the arms towards the offender's goal.

GROWTH OF SOCCER POOLS IN ENGLAND

Turnover Of £30,000,000 Returned In Single Football Season

London. The Football Pools industry is to-day the fastest growing industry in Great Britain. In 15 years it has reached a turnover of £750,000 a week, £30,000,000 in a single season. The football pool in its present state was evolved by Mr. J. J. Barnard of Birmingham. He was followed very shortly by officers in the pool business.

They eventually introduced the penny pool which automatically increased their clients by thousands. It also increased the staffs and to-day 30,000 people are regularly employed on the football pools staffs.

The law of this country makes it illegal to send money with your football coupon. All bets must be credit transactions. As a result you are trusted by the football pools for the amount of your bet, and if you lose you are required to send the money the following week.

In the big pools offices there are machines which strip the envelopes from the coupons; machines which can handle 4,000 envelopes an hour. Each week of the football season, 10,000,000 envelopes leave the pool headquarters which means £170,000 a week in postage, and it is estimated that 12,000,000 replies are returned.

Inside each of these 12,000,000 envelopes there is a postal order

FANLING GOLF

Modal Competition And Bogey Pool Result

The results of the competitions in the Christmas Meeting of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club held at Fanling, were as follows:

Bogey (Par), Old Course.—D. S. Edward (4) and G. C. Worrall (9) tied, one up. Other scores were: T. R. Chassels (9) and Lieut. Cmdr. D. MacIntyre (13) tied, all square; D. S. Robb (6), G. R. Calkins (15) and P. H. Scoones (5) tied, one down. There were 92 entries.

Bogey (Par), New Course.—G. M. Park (8) and Col. J. F. King tied, one up, but Park won as he had the better inward half. There were 16 entries.

Mixed Round, Old Course.—G. R. Cairns 84-15=99, won. Other scores were: Lt. Cmdr. D. MacIntyre 84-13=71; D. S. Edward 76-4=72. There were 31 entries.

Mixed Bogey Competition, New Course.—Lt. Cmdr. D. MacIntyre and Miss J. Duke, one down, won. There were 23 entries.

which, according to statistics, averages 2s. 6d. Since the pools began the sales of Postal Orders has increased enormously. In 1923 the sales of sixpenny orders amounted to £4,000,000. Ten years later the amount had jumped to £23,000,000. The shilling orders meanwhile had risen from £6,000,000 to £35,000,000. And 1s. 6d. orders had risen from £4,000,000 to £24,000,000.

So the Post Office also makes a bit out of the football pools.

TRIANGULAR TOURNAMENT HOCKEY

Army Win Last Game Against The Navy

(By "The Pilgrim")



Lieut. Donald, who played finely for the Army against the Navy in the Triangular Tournament hockey match this week.



Narain Singh, outstanding Army forward in Tuesday's Triangular Tournament hockey match.

The last fixture in the Triangular Tournament was played on the club ground on Tuesday, when the Army defeated the Navy by four goals to two. With the exception of McBride, Spencer, Donald and Withworth the Navy practically fielded a new team. The Army were without Saval Khan, who is on the injured list and Stickley. Narain Ram and Carter were seen in their stead.

The game was fast with the Army slightly the better side, being full value for their victory. They led 2-0 at the interval and would have scored more goals but for some good work between the sticks by McBride, and excellent work by Gordon at right-half.

The Army were first to attack from the initial bully-off but Gordon and Miller broke up several promising raids by Narain Ram, Pritham Nath, and Narain Singh. After twenty-five minutes Narain Ram scored two goals in quick succession. Pritham Nath was also well placed for two sitters but he missed his mark badly.

The second half opened with a dangerous raid by the Navy attack. Five minutes later Donald at centre-forward broke through to reduce the deficit, beating Wilson with a first timer from close range. Continuing to press the Navy went further ahead through Donald, who turned to account a fine pass from Colman, thus levelling the scores.

The Navy began to give as much as they had taken—but not in goals. They had the opposing defence on the run but they were rarely allowed in the circles. Potter and Colman nipped in twice but shot wide. At the other end Narain Singh and Pritham Nath were continuing with better understanding. The former demonstrating clever stick work, got past Gordon and sent in a beauty which Narain Ram intercepted and thereby completed his "hat-trick". Khuda Bux added the fourth after McBride had made a poor clearance. The game ended with the Navy defending gallantly.

For the Army Narain Singh, playing his last game did well at inside-left. Pritham Nath gave a clever exhibition of stickwork and it was unfortunate the game ended without his scoring. Narain Ram and Khuda Bux worked well together, the latter playing a game which ranked him as one of the fastest right-wingers in the Colony. Land an I Ray, were the best of the halves. Kishen Singh was better than Carter who was very erratic.

The Navy were best served by Colman, Donald and Potter in the attack. Donald in particular was a hardworking leader but unfortunately in the second half his fellow forwards did not anticipate his manoeuvres and lost the opportunities offered by him—the very few they had—of scoring. In the inter-mediates Miller and Spencer were good, but Gordon at right-half was the pick. Garr was safer at right-back, his partner Robinson being slow at recovering. Through the uncertain movements of their ships

CIVILIANS VERSUS SERVICES REPLAY

The replay between the Civilians and Services is to take place next Sunday, January 2, on the Club ground, King's Park at 3.30 p.m. sharp. The Civilians are fielding the same team as on the previous occasion and will be represented by the following:

M. Ramzan (K.I.T.C.); A. E. P. Guest (Radio) and E. L. Gosano (Recreo);

W. Brown (Police), W. A. Reed (Club) and M. R. Malik (K.I.T.C.);

S. A. Fowler (Club), Gurbachan Singh (Radio), Pyara Singh (K.I.T.C.), J. M. Pinto (K.I.T.C.) and V. Bond (Club).

Those unable to turn out are requested to inform Mr. G. T. Palmer or Mr. A. E. P. Guest. Civilians will play in White shirts and the Services in Green.

The Services team will be announced later.

The Navy have never played together as a team, and this probably accounts for a somewhat poor showing throughout the tournament.

TRIANGULAR TOURNAMENT TABLE

	P	W	L	D	F.A.	Pts.
H.K. Club	4	3	0	1	13	47
Army	4	2	1	1	11	9
Royal Navy	4	0	4	0	5	10

LEADING GOAL SCORERS

G. E. R. Divett	6	H.K. Club
Lt. Pritham Nath	4	Army
T. S. J. Whitley	4	H.K. Club
S. A. Fowler	3	H.K. Club
Narain Ram	3	Army

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Win Sweepstake Races Run By Yacht Club

Sweepstake races held by the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club yesterday over a course of 9.2 miles resulted in wins for Isobel in "A" class and Aerial in the mixed classes.

	Class	Finished	Corrd.	Pts.
Isobel (Dr. L. J. Davis)	"A"	17.00.11	—	1
Eve (Capt. E. Baker)	"A"	17.00.24	—	2
Jean (Col. G. C. Gowlan)	"A"	17.00.05	—	3
Nery (Capt. C. B. Barry, R.N.)	"A"	17.00.21	—	4
Carpenter (Major H. C. Dixon)	"A"	17.00.24	—	5
Kittiwake (Miss P. M. King)	"A"	17.14.11	—	6
La (Commodore Mann)	"A"	17.15.47	—	7
Aerial (Mr. C. D. A. Ross)	Mixed	16.59.01	1	
Diana (Mr. J. Gifford Hull)	Mixed	17.00.23	2	
Stella (Mr. B. Pengelly)	Mixed	17.01.20	3	
Allan (Mr. G. Moffatt Wilson)	Mixed	17.01.53	4	
Ery (Major J. C. L. Vale)	Mixed	17.07.12	5	
Gael (Major G. T. L. Archer)	Mixed	17.07.29	6	
Heron (Mr. E. F. Stanley)	Mixed	17.11.22	7	
Nannette (Lt. Comdr. W. H. Graves)	Mixed	17.27.54	8	

SHEFFIELD SHIELD CRICKET

Adelaide, Dec. 29. South Australia defeated Queensland by eight wickets. Scores were: South Australia 429 for eight (declared) and 93 for two, Queensland 93 and 420.

At Melbourne the match between New South Wales and Victoria ended in a draw. New South Wales made 415 and 47 for one, and Victoria 184 and 300.—Reuter Bulletin.

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HANKOW-NANKING TIME TABLE

EAST BOUND (Read Down)		WEST BOUND (Read Up)	
Tues. Thur. Fri. Sun.	STATION	Tues. Thur. Fri. Sun.	STATION
(Dolphin)		(Dolphin)	
7.00	Lv HANKOW	Ar	14.00
8.15	Lv KIUKIANG	Lv	12.45
9.35	Lv WUHU	Lv	11.25
10.20	Ar NANKING	Lv	10.40

HANKOW-CHENG TU TIME TABLE

WEST BOUND (Read Down)		EAST BOUND (Read Up)	
Mon. Wed. Fri.	STATION	Sun. Tue. Thu. Sat.	STATION
(DC-2)		(Loening)	
11.45	Lv HANKOW	Ar	17.10
	Lv SHASI	Lv	15.45
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FEBRUARY 19, FIXED AS FIRST DAY OF CARNIVAL

The Annual Race Week will open on Saturday, February 19, with twelve races on the programme and below we publish the events for the first and second day:-

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1938

1.-11.30 a.m.—The Foochow Cup.—Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Ponies that have started at least three times at Race Meetings of this Club previous to this Meeting and have never won a race at such Meetings and Grifflins of this Meeting allowed 7 lb. Subscription Grifflins of this Club of this Meeting allowed 12 lb. Jockey Allowance. Allowances accumulative. Entrance \$10. One and a Half Miles.

2.-12 noon.—The Maiden Stakes.—Winner \$1,000. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies, bona fide Grifflins of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance \$10. Six Furlongs.

3.-12.30 p.m. or 7.-3.30 p.m.—The Sydney Maiden Stakes.—(First or Second).—Winner \$1,000. Second \$300. Third \$200. For Australian Ponies. Grifflins of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance \$10. From the 1 1/2 Mile Post (About Five Furlongs).

4.-1.00 p.m.—The China Stakes.—Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$10. From the 1 1/2 Mile Post (About Five Furlongs).

5.-1.30 p.m. or 6.-3 p.m.—The Wong-Nel-Chong Stakes.—(First or Second Section).—Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies. Subscription Grifflins of this Club of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$10. Half a Mile.

6.-3 p.m.—The The Wong-Nel-Chong Stakes.—(Second Section).—(See Race No. 3).

7.-3.30 p.m.—The Sydney Maiden Stakes.—(Second Section).—(See Race No. 5)

8.-1 p.m.—The Trial Plate.—Winner \$1,000. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies, bona fide Grifflins of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance \$10. One and a Quarter Miles.

9.-4.30 p.m.—The Valley Stakes.—Winner \$1,000. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies. Subscription Grifflins of this Club of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance \$10. One and a Quarter Miles.

10.-5 p.m.—The Curragh Handicap.—Winner \$600. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies, bona fide Grifflins of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Subscription Grifflins of this Club of this Meeting allowed 10 lb. Winners 7 lb. penalty. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

11.-5.30 p.m.—The Bendigo Stakes.—Winner \$600. Second \$300. Third \$200. For Australian Ponies. Ponies classified "A" Class as at 31st December, 1937, and Grifflins of this Meeting. Weight 140 lb. 1 lb. penalty for every \$200 or part thereof won in stakes since 1st January, 1937. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

12.-6 p.m.—The New Stables Plate.—Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Grifflins of this Meeting allowed 1 lb. Jockey Allowance. Allowances accumulative. Entrance \$10. From the Two Mile Post Once Round and In (About One Mile 171 Yards).

SECOND DAY

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1938

1.-11.30 a.m.—The Mongolian Stakes.—Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies. Subscription Grifflins of the Club of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners of the Wong-Nel-Chong Stakes, 5 lb.; of the Valley Stakes, 7 lb.; penalty. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$10. From the 1 1/2 Mile Post (About Five Furlongs).

2.-12 noon.—The Maiden Stakes.—(First or Second Section).—Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For Australian Ponies. Grifflins of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners 10 lb. penalty. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

3.-12.30 p.m.—The Lusitano Cup.—Presented by Members of the Club Lusitano, with \$600 added for Winner. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies, bona fide Grifflins of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

4.-1 p.m.—The Victoria Stakes.—Winner \$1,000. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

5.-1.30 p.m.—The Garrison Cup.—Presented by the Officers of the Garrison, with \$600 added for Winner. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies. Subscription Grifflins of this Club of any Season. Weight for inches as per scale. Subscription Grifflins of this Meeting allowed 3 lb. Winners anywhere during 1937, of one race, 3 lb.; of two races, 5 lb.; of three or more races, 7 lb.; at this Meeting, 3 lb. penalty. Subscription Grifflins of previous Seasons, that have not won at least two races at race meetings of this Club, barred. Jockey Allowance. Penalties and Allowances accumulative. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

6.-3 p.m.—The Exchange Plate.—Presented by the Bankers and Exchange Brokers of Hongkong Value \$1,000 to Winner. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies. Subscription Grifflins of this Club of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$10. From the Two Mile Post Once

Round and In (About One Mile 171 Yards).

7.-3.30 p.m.—The Melbourne Cup.—Winner \$1,000. Second \$300. Third \$200. For Australian Ponies of any Season. Weight 140 lb. Winners at any time of one race, 5 lb.; of two races, 10 lb.; of three or more races, 14 lb.; penalty. Entrance \$10. One and a Quarter Miles.

8.-4 p.m.—The Hongkong Derby.—A Sweepstakes of \$20 each, \$50 additional for Starters with \$3,000 added. For China Ponies, bona fide Grifflins of this Meeting. Winner to receive 70 per cent, Second 20 per cent, Third 10 per cent, of the total amount. Weight for inches as per scale. Ponies to be ridden by Jockeys who have won at least 10 Official flat races anywhere or Jockeys approved by the Stewards. One and a Half Miles.

9.-4.30 p.m.—The Chester Cup.—Presented: with \$1,000 added for Winner. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies, that have started in at least five Extra Meetings of this Club during 1937, and two or three of such Meetings previous to 1st July, 1937, and two or three subsequent to that date. Ponies classified "A" Class as at 31st December, 1937, barred. Weight 145 lb. Winners during 1937 or one race, 5 lb.; of two races, 7 lb.; of three or more races, 10 lb.; penalty. Subscription Grifflins of this Club allowed 5 lb. Jockey Allowance. Allowances accumulative. Entrance \$10. One and a Quarter Miles.

10.-5 p.m.—The Challenge Cup.—Value One Hundred Guineas. For China Ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. To be won two years consecutively by a Pony or Ponies the bona fide property of the same owner or owners. Winner to receive \$750 and 70 per cent, Second \$300 and 20 per cent, Third \$200 and 10 per cent, of the Entrance Fees until the Cup is finally won, when the Second Pony will receive 75 per cent, and the Third Pony 25 per cent, of the Entrance Fees in addition to the place money. Entrance \$10. One and Three Quarter Miles.

11.-5.30 p.m.—The "Black Rock" Stakes.—Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies, bona fide Grifflins of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Subscription Grifflins of this Club of this Meeting allowed 10 lb. Winners 7 lb. penalty. Jockey Allowance. Allowances accumulative. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

12.-6 p.m.—The Perth Plate.—(Second Section).—(See Race No. 2.)

RIFLE SHOOTING Inter-Colonial Match To-day

Those chosen to represent the Colony in the Inter-Colonial rifle match this afternoon are:

S.R. (a).—Lt. R. O. Pullman (Middlex), captain, Lieut. R. F. Jenks, I.L.N., Capt. W. Newton (Middlex), superintending officers, P.O. Richards, Sgt. Cooper, L/Cpl. Langford, L/Cpl. Baker, L/Sgt. Jordan, Pte. Moss, (Middlex), Sgt. Bleckell, R.M., Cpl. Puran, Singhi (H.K.P.). Reserves: Pte. Cox, (Middlex), Pte. Cranston, (Seaforth).

S.R. (b).—Major D. H. Steers, captain, P.O. Fellow, Mr. Watson, (D.R.C.), Sgt. Mannell, R.M., Cpl. Morris, R.M., Capt. Halcroft, (R.U.R.), Lieut. Hawkins, R.E. Cpl. Miller, R.M., Mr. Austin, (D.R.C.), Reserves: Sgt. Russell (H.K.P.), Mr. Lakeman (D.R.C.).

Shooting will begin at 1.50 p.m. Yesterday there were between 80 and 70 at the noon and practice shoot, but the varying light and wind proved troublesome to many.

Concurrently with the shoot a return match was held between the Fourth Submarine Flotilla Rifle Club and that of the Middlesex. Once again the soldiers had to take second place, in spite of the generous handicaps of 50 to compensate for their having to use the S.R. (a) rifle, as opposed to the universal use of the S.R. (b) weapon, in the case of the sailors.

One of the Bronze Medals presented recently to the Fourth Submarine Flotilla R.C. was awarded to the individual who made the highest score among members of the Royal Navy who were shooting on this occasion. It was won by E. R. A. Haynes, who tied with Lieut. Jenks with an aggregate of 93, but in accordance with the Regulations, the first named took the Medal as he made the highest score at the longest distance.

Scores: 4th Submarine Flotilla

E.R.A. Haynes 300 600 600 Ttl.
 Lieut. Jenks 27 33 31 91
 Lieut. Hinds 27 33 31 91
 P.O. Clark 27 33 31 91
 P.O. Seymour 27 33 31 91
 E.R.A. John 27 33 31 91
 Lieut. Jenks 27 33 31 91
 L/Sea. Knight 27 33 31 91
 Total 244 244 244 732

Middlesex

Pte. Middleton 26 26 30 82
 Pte. Moss 27 33 31 91
 L/Cpl. Baker 27 33 31 91
 L/Cpl. Langford 27 33 31 91
 Pullman 27 33 31 91
 L/Sgt. Jordan 27 33 31 91
 Pte. Cox 27 33 31 91
 Pte. Newling 27 33 31 91
 Total 198 214 210 622

S. R. (b)

C.P.O. Fellow (Scr.) 30 32 31 93
 E.R.A. Haynes (Scr.) 30 32 31 93
 E.R.A. John (Scr.) 30 32 31 93
 Lieut. Hawkins (Scr.) 30 32 31 93
 L/Cpl. Downing (1) 30 32 31 93
 Capt. Morris (Scr.) 30 32 31 93
 Sgt. Mannell (Scr.) 30 32 31 93
 P.O. Clark (3) 30 32 31 93
 P.O. Heather (3) 30 32 31 93
 E.R.A. Seymour (2) 30 32 31 93
 L/Cpl. Tomlin (3) 30 32 31 93
 P.O. Hinds (4) 30 32 31 93
 E.A. John 30 32 31 93
 P.O. Bleckell (2) 30 32 31 93
 P.O. Silcock (2) 30 32 31 93
 Stoker Robinson (6) 30 32 31 93
 Total 300 600 600 900

All the above competitors used the "1914" rifle.

L/Cpl. Jordan S. R. (a) 6 27 28 30 91
 Pte. Cranston 6 27 28 30 91
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 C.S.M. Bradley 6 27 28 30 91
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 L/Cpl. Baird 6 27 28 30 91
 L/Cpl. MacDonald 6 27 28 30 91
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* Denotes the winner of the "handicap".
 The handicap of each winner has been reduced by one point as shown. This procedure applies to all S.R. (a) and S.R. (b) Spoon Shoots.

CHARITY SOCCER

A football match to raise funds for the Ministering Children's League will be played between the Royal Navy and Royal Marines on the Navy ground on January 5. The kick-off will be at 4 p.m.

Club "A" beat a Navy team in a rugby match, 10 to five, on the Club ground yesterday.

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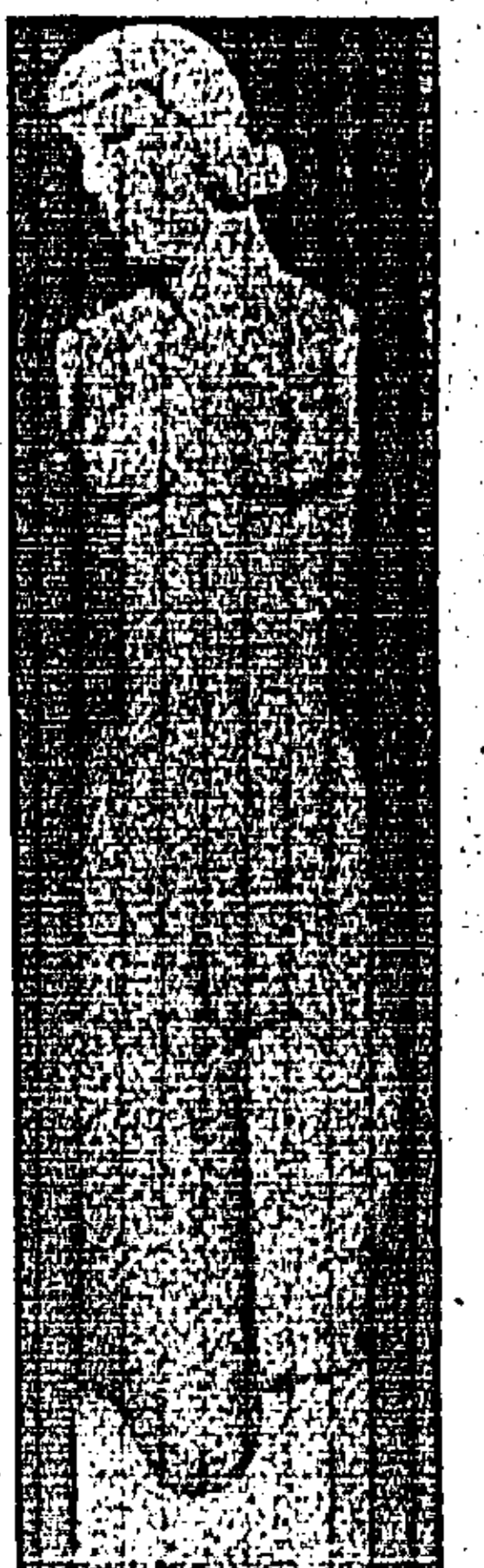
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Well, let me make some suggestions for you from the fiction, the travel books and the reminiscences that have attracted me during the last three months, grading them, as far as possible, according to Particular Readers.

For those who like a note of romance in their novels, Vaughan Wilkins leads the list with that galloping stage-coach of a yarn, *And So Victoria*, the summer's most sensational historical tale. Erich Maria Remarque offers "Three Comrades," simple, idyllic and most moving. And in *Tod Wilky*, Robert Darnell has written a fresh, lively and convincing

story about a London lorry-driver. H. G. Wells fuses romance and satire in the stimulating pages of his "long-short" *Star Begotten*. How readable he remains, after more than forty years of authorship! Fannie Hurst's *Great Laughter* is the immense, sprawling, lush chronicle of an immense, sprawling American family. There is an inevitable, fairy-tale touch about Lewis Gibbs' quiet, sensitive *Lots in Love*.

For those who want realism in their novels, despite that professor's daughter, *All Hands* is a splendid sea story in it. M. Tomlinson's happy mood, *Six Days' Grace*, which stages an election for the Governorship of one of the United States, is W. R. Burnett's best yet. And Rudolf Brunngraber's *Madam* is a fascinating, pioneering tale about the most precious substance in the world. Murray Constantine's *Swastika Night* lifts a dark curtain from the seventh century of the Hittite Era. In *Is a Ship Burning?* Richard Sale tells you, tensely, what happens when fire

sweeps a boat at sea. Lion Feuchtwanger's *The False Nero* is a long, magnificently staged novel of a small little dictator in Roman times.

For those insatiable sleuths who prefer tales of mystery and detection, I thought Elspeth Huxley's *Murder at Government House* one of the season's most light-hearted and ingenious stories. If you are a Dorothy L. Sayers' fan, you may forgive her for the "love stuff" in *Busman's Honeymoon*. And make a note of Margery Allingham's accomplished *Dancers in Mourning*.

Josephine Bell has arrived with that lively, original tale of the war, *Murder in Hospital*. Agatha Christie is as competent, baffling and convincing as ever in *Dumb Witness*. And if you demand an authentic nightmare setting to your detective fiction, Jonathan Latimer's *The Lady in the Morgue* will be the Real Right Choice for you.

For those who like the true life flavour of reminiscences, *Unfinished Journey*, by the Welsh minstrel, Jack Jones, is a richly entertaining

and significant autobiography. Old Jules features, with the aid of his daughter, Mari Sandoz, the earliest and toughest of Nebraska pioneers. And Oliver St. John Gogarty delights to set the cat among the Dublin pigeons in *As I Was Going Down Backville Street*.

T. E. Lawrence, by his friends, in which eighty men and women unite to praise Lawrence of Arabia, is one of the most remarkable biographical mosaics of our generation. Stevenson's stepdaughter, Isabel Field, writes revealingly of T. E. and his circle in *This Life We Loved*. Anthony Weymouth's *Who'd Be a Doctor?* is crowded with good-natured—and good—stories of the consulting room.

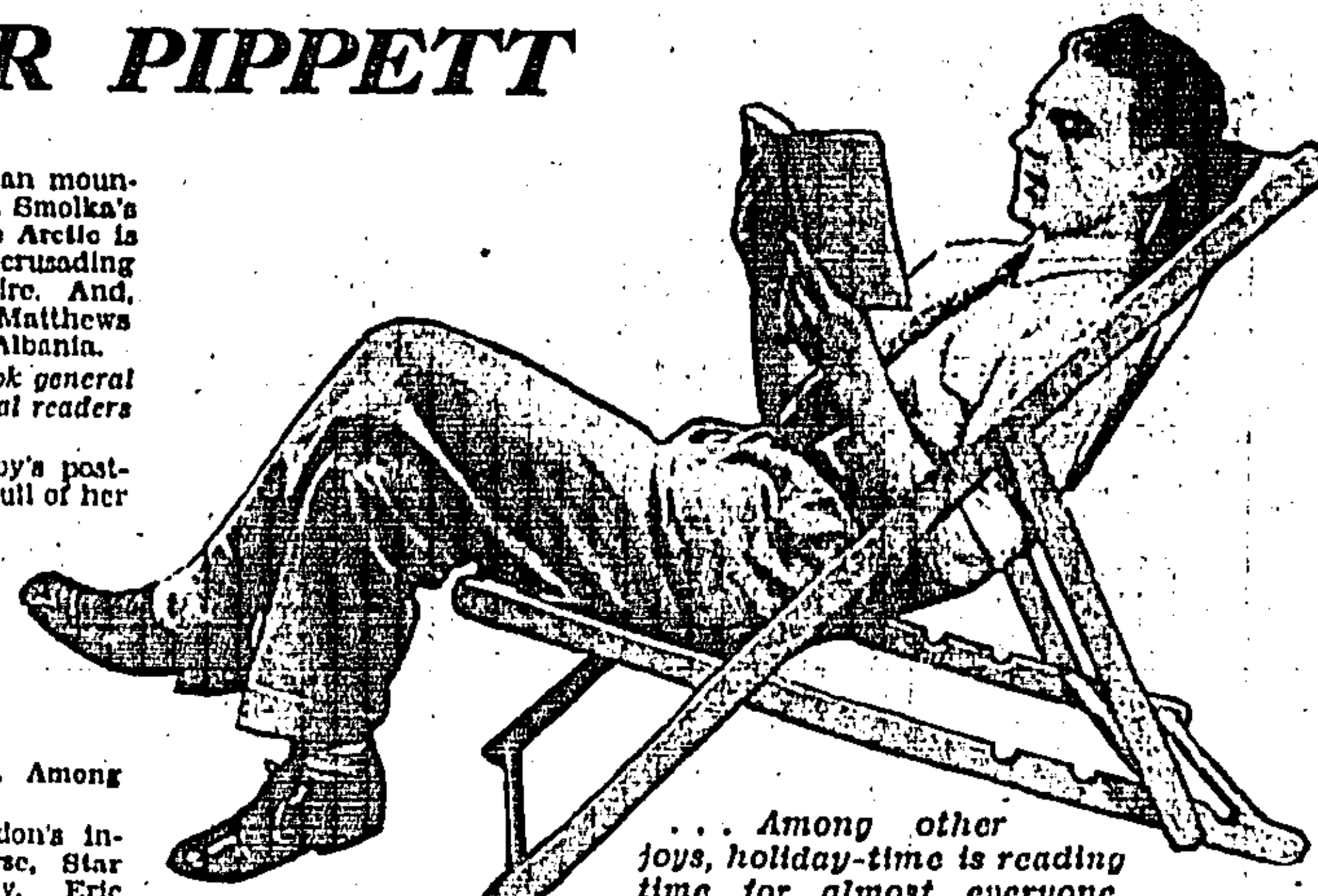
For the reader of travel books, among the coolest and most courageous volumes this summer is P. &

Smythe's record of Himalayan mountaineering, *Camp Six*. H. P. Smolka's *Forty Thousand Against the Arctic* is a stirring revelation of the crusading spirit in Russia's Polar Empire. And in *Sons of the Eagle*, Ronald Matthews paints a brilliant portrait of Albania.

Lastly, here are two six-book general selections for the experimental readers holiday.

The first, *Winifred Holtby's post-humous Letters to a Friend*, full of her shrewd, sunny vivacity. John P. Marquand's artful "memoir," *The Late George Apley*. And four varied novels—E. M. Doherty's *Nothing is Safe*, Leo Walmesley's *Sally Lunn*, P. H. Dorset's *The Marching Cloud* and Simon J. Sender's *Mr. Witt Among the Rebels*.

The second, *Olaf Stapledon's inspiring Tour of the Universe*, *Star Maker*, a superb super-fantasy. Eric Ambler's *Uncommon Danger*, a fast-moving, cut-of-the-ordinary thriller. And four novels—*Either-Forbes' Paradise*, E. C. Large's *Sugar in the Air*, Graham Heath's *Brief Flower of Youth* and Daniel Fuchs' *Neptune Beach*.



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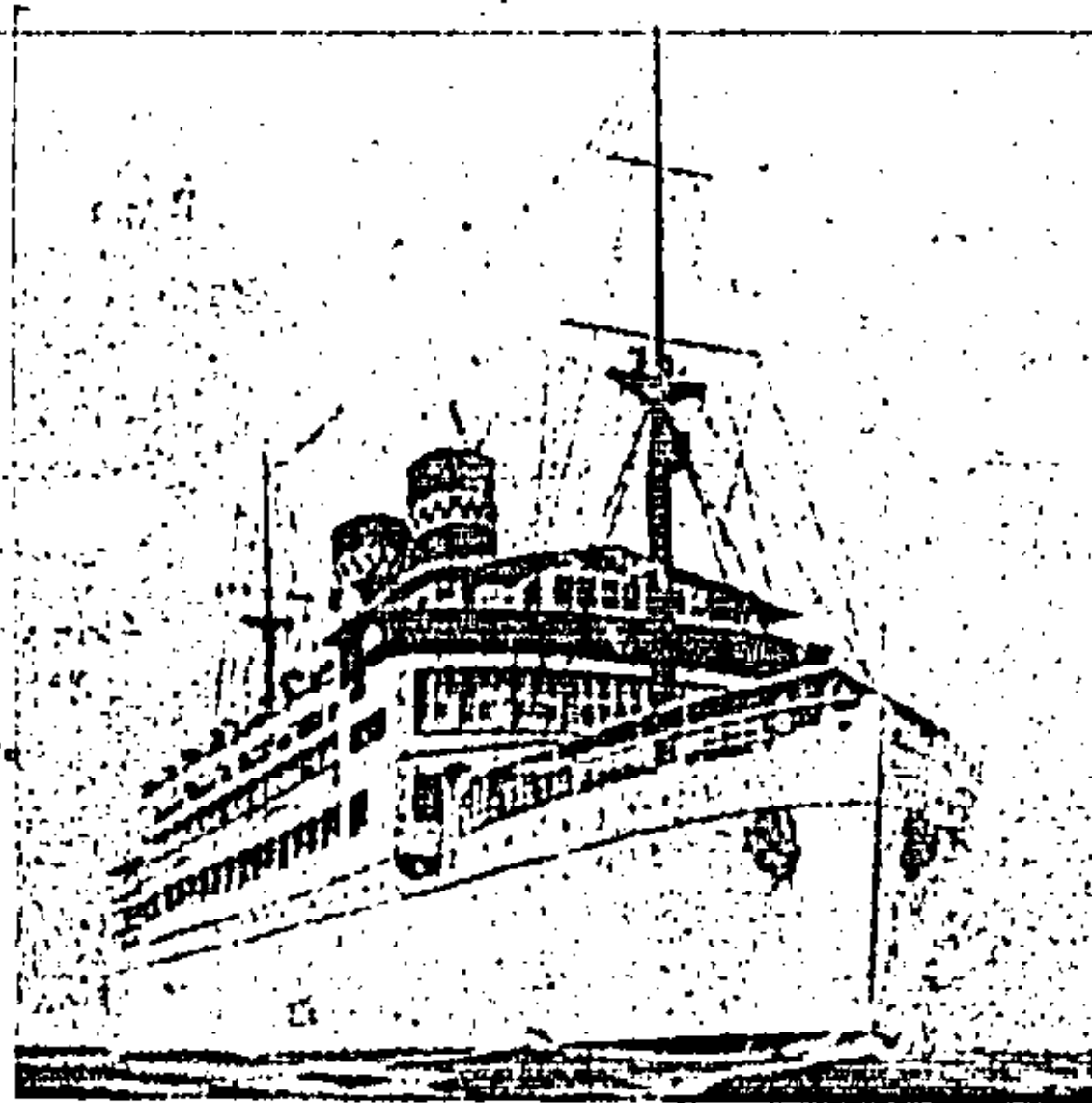
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A CANNIBAL, we are assured in this book, can be really quite a pleasant person, except for his table manners. And Ebenezer Thakombau seems to have made a very amiable Fijian king.

True, he had kingship more or less thrust upon him. He threw away the crown they made for his coronation (it was of zinc, studded with glass), and he found being a king a bit of a nuisance because other countries held him responsible for all sorts of things he could not be blamed for.

But he did his best. He formed a government, with an upper and a lower house and a "Mister Speaker" and a very nice mace. And the government appointed judges with wigs and robes and passed all sorts of laws that pushed cannibalism farther into the background and presumably put Fiji on the Path of Progress.

All that was in what we must assume were "the good old days," before the formal annexation by Britain, when gin in Fiji was ten shillings or so a case, and was to be had by settlers from Sydney and Melbourne for the taking and it was possible to live easily and comfortably, even though lurking round the corner was always the chance of being served up as a dainty dish.

King Thakombau, of course, no longer reigns in Fiji, but they thought such a lot of him when he died in 1883 that they kept his body for four months before the funeral honours.

Then a great meteor exploded, and the natives said it was his spirit, expressing indignation at being so long unburied. Ebenezer, says Mr. Brewster, was thorough in all things. "As a cannibal he was terrible and bloodthirsty. When he embraced Christianity he did so with his whole heart, and finally, as a subject of the Queen, he gave her his full obedience."

Only once he seems to have kicked over the kingly traces. When, in his feeble old age, he insisted on wedding a young and buxom maid. He had native custom on his side, but he didn't live long after that.

The author of this book is now eighty-three. He went to Fiji as a boy and spent forty years in Government service there. Memory Corner is not always boring. When this octogenarian takes you there it becomes entertaining as well as informative and sometimes very lively.

There is, for instance, that story of the missionary who, giving evidence in a law court, one terribly hot day, set out what looked like a water-bottle on the barristers' table, filled a tumbler, took a deep draught and dashed the glass down in disgust and anger. It was good H.M.O. gin, that liquor which, it is said, used to stand in large, innocent-looking carafes on the same table as the mace in Fiji's House of Commons. H. G. P.

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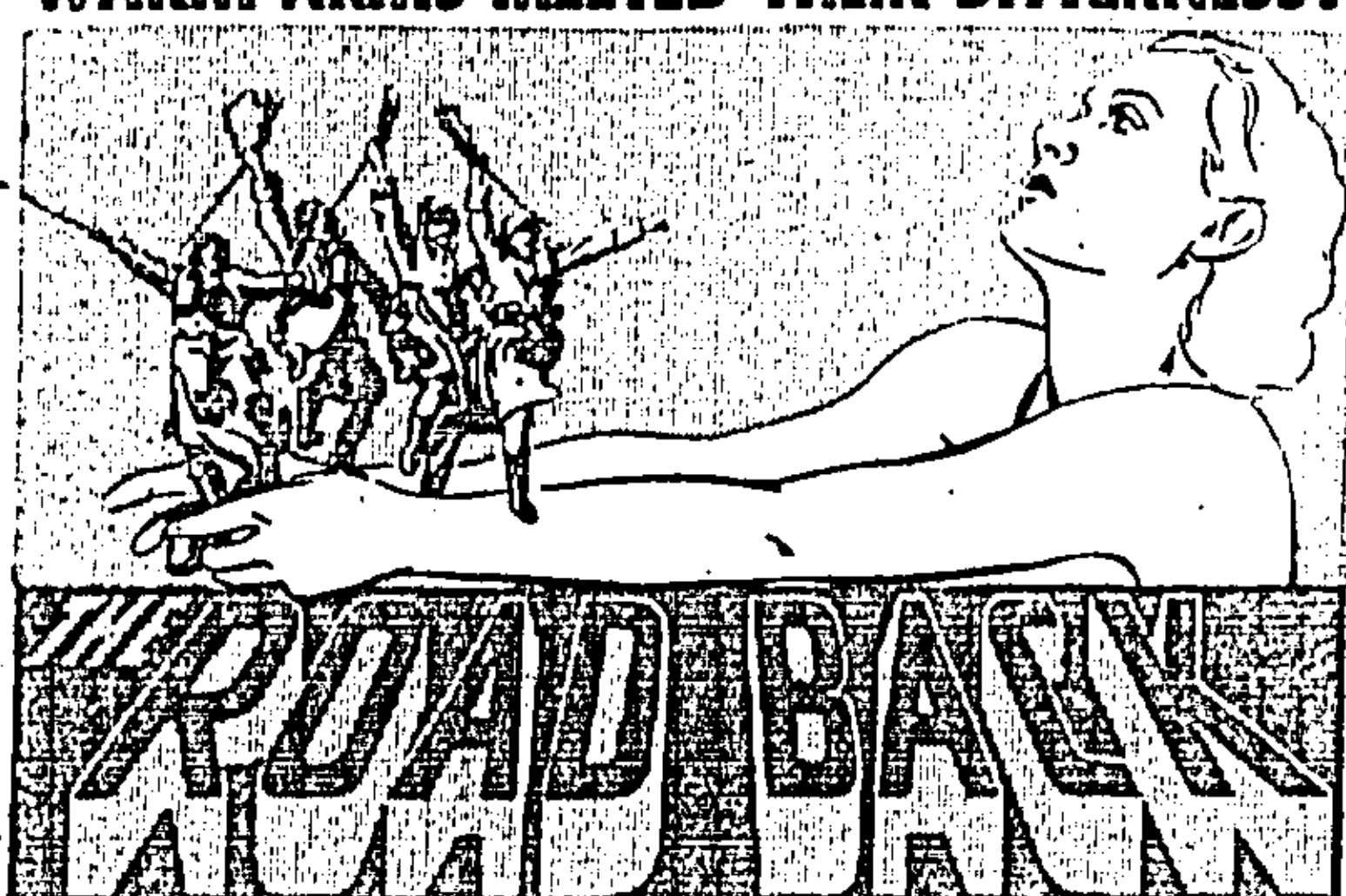
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EMBASSY HAS NO ORDERS

Story Of Protest
On Japan's Note
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Objection To
Army Document

London, Dec. 29. Reports that Sir Robert Craigie, British Ambassador to Tokyo, has informed Mr. Koki Hirota, the Japanese Foreign Minister, that the Japanese reply to the British Note concerning the shelling of H.M.S. Ladybird and H.M.S. Dec was unsatisfactory, are authoritatively described as incorrect. No instructions concerning the reply have yet been sent to Sir Robert.

The reports have possibly arisen from confusion with a statement issued by the Japanese military authorities regarding the Ladybird incident. It is understood Sir Robert Craigie may have raised objection to certain passages in the statement. But the military statement is entirely separate from the formal Japanese reply.

The full text of the Japanese military statement has not yet reached London.—Reuter.

BIG BATTLE EXPECTED

Gibraltar, Dec. 29. A big battle on the southern Spanish front is foreseen by intense insurgent activity between Cadiz, Tarifa, San Roque and Malaga, and observed by British visitors to Spain during the week-end.

It is understood this is the sequel to confidential information received by the Government authorities that the Government authorities had already concentrated some 30,000 militiamen with tanks and artillery, apparently preparing a counter-attack against the big offensive from Malaga which the insurgents have been contemplating.—Reuter's Special.

Closing Japan Dance Halls

Tokyo, Dec. 30. Admiral Suetsugu, Japan's new ultra-Nationalist Home Minister, has ordered all dance halls in Japan to close from April next as part of a "crusade to mobilise a national spirit".

Admiral Suetsugu regards dance halls as a "bane of influence on the public mind, a definite threat to good morals, and as a menace to manners which are peculiarly Japan's own."—Reuter.

PLANS TO AID WAR RELIEF

Hankow, Dec. 30. Mr. Lin Kang-hou, President of the Associated Chambers of Commerce in China, whose name is reported to have appeared on a list of so-called "puppets" in Shanghai, has arrived here.

He told interviewers that he would not join any regime set up by the Japanese. Instead, he is devoting himself to war relief work, and is remaining in Central China.

Mr. Lin believes the monetary structure of China to be firm.—United Press.

TEMPERATURE DROPS

A drop of three degrees in the temperature, compared with yesterday's figure of 69, was recorded by the Royal Observatory at 10 a.m. to-day.

The weather report states that the anti-cyclone is stationary over China, Manchuria and South Japan; it has increased in intensity and pressure is highest to the north of the Yangtze Valley. A deep depression is situated over the Kurile Islands.

Local forecast.—North-east winds, fresh; cloudy, probably some drizzle or light rain.

Doesn't Like British Reply To Propaganda

Rome, Dec. 29. Referring to the B.B.C. broadcast of news in Arabic on January 4, Signor Virginio Gayda the Italian Journalist has protested that the Italian broadcast from Bari is not anti-British.

The programme proves, he says, that the broadcast was only a reply to the policy of sanctions advocated by British and any anti-British propaganda was only a retaliation for attacks on Italy, not only by propaganda, but by other means.—Reuter.

FEARFUL LOSS AT NANKING

Chinese Said To
Have Lost 84,000
Dead In Battle

Shanghai, Dec. 30. Eighty-four thousand Chinese troops were killed and an unknown number, believed to be great, were wounded in the defence of Nanking, according to a communique from General Matsui's headquarters.

The communique places the Japanese casualties in capturing the city at 800 killed and 4,000 wounded. It says that the Japanese forces took 10,500 prisoners.

It adds that the war booty included 120,000 rifles, 3,200 machine guns, 200 trench mortars and howitzers, 40 field and mountain guns, 40 anti-aircraft guns, 110 heavy guns, ten tanks, three locomotives and 60 railway cars.—Reuter.

STOP PRESS

FRESH TROOPS FOR GUAM

San Francisco, Dec. 29. The U.S.S. Chaumont will sail January 5 with 600 soldiers to replace a portion of the troops now in Guam and will also carry Commander James T. Alexander, the new Governor of Guam.—United Press.

WALL STREET REVIVES

President's Speech
Causes Recovery
Monopolies Still
Under Fire

New York, Dec. 29. President Roosevelt's hint of increased naval building served to drag the Wall Street stock market from yesterday's depression and with spirited buying, all leading issues advanced from one to three points. Steels, and Aircraft leading the rise.

Traders generally are inclined to read into President Roosevelt's statement an indication that the Government might be resuming "pump-priming" activities in the shape of assistance to heavy industries with resulting all-round beneficial effects to industry.

Assistant Attorney-General Jackson's speech has caused indignation, but has had little apparent effect on the market.—Reuter.

ATTACK ON MONOPOLIES

New York, Dec. 29. The attack on American monopolies begun by Assistant Attorney-General Jackson was continued to-day, when Mr. Jackson was joined by Mr. D. C. Roper, Secretary of Commerce, and Mr. Homer S. Cummings, Attorney-General.

Mr. Roper declared there were good and bad monopolies; and since they were concerned with the good of business itself, as well as the consumers and the Government, and they must be curbed.

Mr. Cummings declared that the existing Anti-Trust Law was inadequate and that additional appropriations were needed to enable the Department of Justice to fight monopolistic practices.—Reuter.

JACKSON HITS OUT

Philadelphia, Dec. 29. Attacking monopolistic practices, Assistant Attorney-General Jackson, in a speech to-day, accused "Big Business" of going on strike against the Government in an effort to "liquidate the New Deal," and of seizing the current recession as a cudgel to which concessions out of the Government.

Mr. Jackson asserted that the Government's recovery programme had restored profits to business and the only criticism of the New Deal as an economic programme was that it did not do enough to guard recovery from the raids of the monopolist.—Reuter.

IMPROVED SENTIMENT

New York, Dec. 29. The New York Stock Exchange staged a moderate recovery to-day. The recovery was partially attributed to short covering, although there was a generally improved sentiment as traders ignored the adverse news.

The Assistant Attorney General's reiteration of complaints against trust manipulation had a bearish influence, but this was offset to some extent by the Secretary of Commerce stating that it is the Government's duty to safeguard the "profit motive."

There was considerably less tax selling, and increased buying appeared late in the session.

Competent observers express the opinion that the public will resume buying in the New Year and will favour armament issues and stocks related thereto, in the belief that the Government is planning further armament expenditures.

The Curb Exchange was moderately active with prices irregular, while the Bond market was irregularly lower and fairly active, with United States issues lower.—United Press.

DULL MARKET

London, Dec. 29. In the continued absence of business and the weak overnight Wall Street, a dull tone was imparted to the London Stock Exchange to-day, though there was little actual selling. Some sections finally developed slightly steadier influences.

Commodities, cotton, rubber, copra and base metals were easier in sympathy with the overnight set-back from America.

The French franc weakened on nervous selling caused by to-day's strike in Paris.—Reuter's Special.

Italian Sets New Record On Sea Hop

Fernambuco, Dec. 29. Signor Stoppa, the Italian aviator attempting a record "straight line" flight from Italy to Latin-America, passed over Fernambuco, heading for Buenos Aires.

Later Hania reported that Stoppa had landed at 3.04 p.m. at Caravelas in Brazil after covering about 7,100 kilometres in 27 hours 24 minutes, thus beating the long-distance sea-plane record of 5,771 kilometres, established by a French seaplane piloted by Lieut. Devalmeau.—Reuter.

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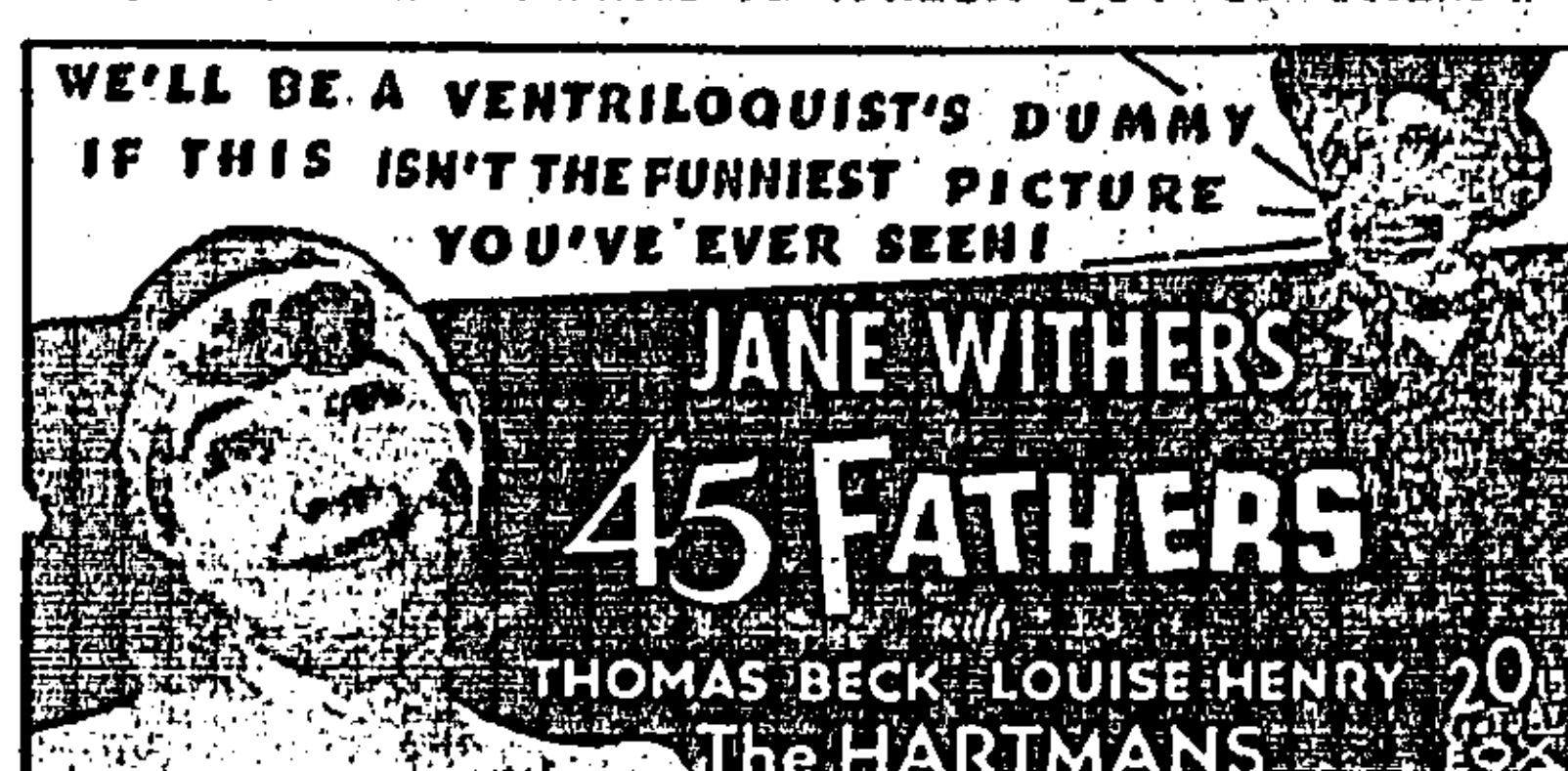
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